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Civil Service unions to fight 5% pay curb

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This means that each union should be asked to indicate whether, in principle, it would be prepared to take action and what form that action should take—protest meetings, lobbies of Parliament, one-day strikes, selective strike action of a week or more duration:

We should also draw up a list of potential areas of selective action by asking unions for their ideas. This is essential if selective strike action is to be undertaken, and it represents clearly a potential area for coordination. Separate selective strikes with each union taking its own decisions without reasonable prior consultations and unrelated to other similar action by other unions would be wasteful. Associated with this, of course, is the question of finance; for example, would unions be prepared to assist financially in strike action in another union? An examination will also have to be made about day-to-day—even hour-to-hour—coordination during the periods of action, and coordinating machinery will have to be devised.

Looking beyond a possible October election, and whatever the result, the Civil Service unions do not expect to be alone in their fight against the Government's 5 per cent norm.

Informal talks have been held with the Transport and General Workers' Union and the National Union of Public Employees about liaison on a common struggle of white-collar and manual public sector workers, which could be synchronized during the winter if the Cabinet refuses to close the wage gap about to be disclosed by the Pay Research Unit.

Protest action in the Civil Service is possible before Christmas if the Government refuses to implement the shortfall in pay disclosed by the independent investigation, or it might be postponed until the new year in the months before the April settlement due for white-collar civil servants.

Either way, the attitude of the TUC General Council might be critical, and Civil Service unions will seek at next month's TUC conference to carry a policy declaration that any public sector group of workers seeking to breach the wage restraint guidelines will not suffer the fate of the firemen, who were deprived of the support of the wider labour movement last winter.

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a meeting of shop at the Clyde base yesterday their spokesman, Mr Tom Killen, said: "We have decided that the Resolution will be fully blacked except for life-and-death emergency services, such as the generating system and water."

He said mass meetings would be held today at the three establishments that make up the complex, Faslane, Coulport and Arrochar.

When the Queen arrives in Scotland on Monday after opening the Commonwealth Games in Canada she will face a change of plan.

Naval tugs that would have taken the royal yacht Britannia alongside the berth at Custom House Quay will be manned by Ministry of Defence workers. To ensure that the Queen does not get involved in any possible industrial action she will board the yacht in mid-Firth, not at the quayside.

Scott affair charges likely today against four

By Staff Reporters

Criminal charges against four persons in the so-called Norman Scott affair are expected by government ministers to be made public today.

The charges, considered by the Director of Public Prosecutons, arose from the reopened police investigation into the shoting of a dog belonging to Mr Scott, who has maintained that he had a homosexual relationship with Mr Jeremy Thorpe. The former Liberal leader has always denied such a relationship. Mr Andrew Newton, who served a prison term on a weapon conviction after the dog shooting, alleged last year that he had been hired to kill.

The final decision to bring the charges rested with Mr Tony Hetherington, QC, the DPP, who had requested officers from the Avon and Somerset police to conduct a special investigation of the allegations raised by Mr Newton.

Mr David Steel, leader of the Liberal Party, believes that any charge against Liberals would shock party officers and members. But he holds the view that it would have less effect on the general voting public. It would, in fact, threaten a collapse in party morale, which has already been buffeted by the serious drop in the party vote at a succession of by-elections.

Mr Steel was interviewed last week by the police officers in the case. He gave them his account of the 1971 party inquiry into the Norman Scott affair, but apparently was unable to gain any indication from them of how the case might turn.

Terrorists kill PLO representative in raid on Paris office

From Ian Murray
Paris, Aug 3

In a vicious and bloody attack, the head of the Paris bureau of the Palestine Liberation Organization, Mr Ezzedine Kalak, and his deputy, Mr Hamad Adnan, were killed at their offices in the Arab League building today. Three other members of the League and PLO staff were wounded.

Only three days ago a French policeman died in a gun battle after an attack by Palestinian terrorists at the Iraqi Embassy. Today's raid took place while the funeral ceremonies for the dead policeman were going on and plain-clothes policemen throughout France were observing a call to stop work briefly as a sign of mourning and protest.

Two terrorists went into the Arab League office in the Boulevard Haussman at 10.30 am today, past the two uniformed policemen always stationed there. They noticed nothing suspicious to make them stop the two young men.

The terrorists made their way to the third floor, where the PLO has its rooms, pulled out their guns and ordered the people in the waiting room into a side office. Then they went in to the office of Mr Kalak and sprayed him with bullets. He was hit 16 times. They then threw grenades which exploded, tearing off both Mr Adnan's legs and injuring the others.

One of the men tried to escape from the building but he was overpowered in the hallway by Arab League guards and his hands were tied. The other escaped to another floor, but after two hours he was overcome by police and arrested. Both were driven to police headquarters for questioning, one with his face streaming with blood.

According to their passports, the men are both Jordanians. One is said to be Abdul Kadir Hatem, aged 25, and the other Assad Kayed, 21, both of them students in France. Police are not yet confinced these are their true identities.

Surrounded by French policemen, one of the terrorists who raided the Arab League offices in Paris is escorted from the building (left). Later a second man (right was hustled out by plainclothes police.

The men told police that they belonged to the dissident Palestinian group, based in Iraq, which is led by Abu Nidal. Abu Nidal has been sentenced to death by Mr Yassir Arafat, the PLO's leader, and has taken refuge in Baghdad.

In a statement this evening the Foreign Ministry said the French Government condemned the acts of violence which had occurred in Paris over the past few days. "It will not tolerate the recourse to terrorism on its territory, whoever the authors of it may be."

The statement said Mr Kalak had been involved in a constructive dialogue with the French authorities in his capacity as head of the PLO's information and liaison office in Paris.

Mr Kalak had become a familiar figure in France through his television appearances pleading the Palestinian cause. He took over his post in 1973 after his predecessor, Mahmoud el-Hamebari, was killed by a bomb.

Over the years Mr Kalak had received many threats against his life and, although he was known to carry a pistol, he did not take exceptional precautions to protect himself.

A statement by the Paris PLO office said that the attack was directed against Palestinian resistance. "Its authors have been arrested and identified by the French authorities. The PLO knows who has committed this odious attack and will divulge its information on the subject at the appropriate time."

The statement said the attack was the sequel to the murders of the PLO representative in London on January 4 and of the PLO director in Kuwait on June 15.

The terrorist who was seriously wounded in the gun battle outside the Iraqi Embassy on Monday is still too ill to talk to police. He has had an operation and is said to be out of danger, but so far it has not even been possible to establish his real identity.

French police, already angry at the death of an inspector on Monday and the subsequent expulsion of the three Iraqi diplomats held for his murder, are

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Full compensation for 20 thalidomide victims

By John Roper
Health Services Correspondent

Full compensation will be paid to 20 families affected by thalidomide and 49 others will receive an ex-gratia payment of £10,000 under recommendations made by Sir Alan Marre, the former Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration (Ombudsman) in his independent report published yesterday. This is conditional on the parents accepting the offer.

The report, accepted by the company, which manufactured the drug, says that the ex-gratia payments should be made because although thalidomide damage was not established beyond all reasonable doubt, the families had suffered great distress, anxiety and severe disappointment over many years.

The company has also accepted a recommendation to increase the Thalidomide Trust Fund by more than £3m over seven years.

Mr Alfred Morris, Minister for the Disabled, on whose initiative Sir Alan made his inquiry, said yesterday that the Government would contribute £800,000 to the fund to offset tax liabilities to new beneficiaries. That follows the precedent set in 1974 when the Government provided £5m for the same purpose.

All the families concerned received copies of Sir Alan's report yesterday. The company will tell the families of the 20 children found to have been damaged by thalidomide, that they should be assessed for full compensation. It will offer the others the ex-gratia payment of £10,000 (£15,000 in one case where there are twins) in return for withdrawal of their claims against it.

Sir Alan disclosed that 39 new claims have been made against the company, 10 of which it has accepted as for a thalidomide-damaged child. Twenty-nine are being considered.

The total cost to the Distillers Company of implementing the proposals would be £4.25m, according to the report. Payments of £5,000 to parents account for £100,000; payments to the children, estimated to avarage £18,250, total £365,000; and the ex-gratia payments to children and their parents amount to £485,000. Payments to parents and children would have 57 per cent interest added, as provided in the 1973 settlement, and that would add another £265,000. The "topping up" of the trust fund would add another £3.035m. Families' legal expenses would be reimbursed.

Asked about the delay in reaching conclusions (it is 20 years since thalidomide babies were born in Britain) Sir Alan said that a main requirement, should any similar tragedy occur, was early identification of victims. Machinery should be set up quickly to consider claims.

Dr Gerard Vaughan, chairman of the medical committee which assessed claims, said that a small medico-legal team should be formed as soon as possible.

Mr Morris said he hoped the recommendations would prove widely acceptable and herald the end of a long and tragic chapter in the lives of young disabled people not yet compensated and the start of a more stable, secure and happier life for them and their families.

Mr Jack Ashley, Labour MP for Stoke-on-Trent, South, who has campaigned for compensation, said that the recommendations were "honourable, judicial and reasonable".

But, he said, the lessons of thalidomide had not yet been learnt. Warning statements about dangerous drugs were grossly inadequate, and another disaster was possible unless the Government and the Committee on Safety of Medicines took urgent action. No fewer than 20,000 direct-product licences had been issued without investigation and unchecked drugs were on the market.

In his letter to Mr Morris accepting the recommendations Mr Robin Cater, chairman of Distillers, complimented Sir Alan on the time and care he had devoted to the inquiry. He said the company hoped that the recommendations would be accepted by all as reasonable and equitable.

Parents comment: Mr Harry Huckstepp, of Newham, south London, whose son Brian, aged 16, will receive full compensation as a thalidomide victim said: "After 16 years of worry this is just marvellous. But it has been a long, anxious time for my wife and I."

Mrs Betty Allen, whose daughter Sandra, aged 18, is also a thalidomide victim, said: "I feel quite drained, but it is a great feeling of satisfaction knowing that after all this time justice has been done."

Reshaped Commons committees planned

Drastic changes in the structure of select committees are proposed by the Select Committee on Commons Procedure. It suggests 12 new committees based on individual government departments: science and the arts, energy, environment, foreign affairs, home affairs, industry and employment, social services, trade and consumer affairs, transport and the Treasury. The work of the select committees on nationalized industries and science and technology would go to the appropriate new committee. The report rejects a proposal that, to ease the burden on MPs of late-night sittings, the Commons should meet in the morning and end its session at 7.30 pm. Instead it suggests that sittings after 10 pm should not proceed without an affirmative majority vote of not fewer than 200 MPs. The rejection brought a protest from MPs' wives Page 2

First win goes to Karpov

Ending the deadlock of seven successive draws, Anatoly Karpov, world champion, beat Viktor Korchnoi in the eighth game after unaccountable errors by the challenger. Karpov refused the customary pre-game handshake and Korchnoi kept up the tit-for-tat by declining to sign the score sheets Page 5

Mortgage bias against wives

Building society mortgage offers are likely to be lower when wives earn more than their husbands, a survey for the Equal Opportunities Commission shows. Some society branches refuse to accept the wife's wage as the main basis of a loan Page 3

Asian make-up to be banned

Eye make-up worn by Asian children is to be banned under new legislation governing the sale of cosmetics. The make-up contains lead sulphide, which is among dangerous substances to be banned under a safety code based on an EEC directive
Harmful cosmetics, Page 16

'No' to SNP

The Prime Minister, speaking before the Commons adjourned, declared his interests in the abolition of the House of Lords, and his lack of interest in any pact with the Scottish National Party Pages 2 & 10

Vauxhall plans Japan imports

Proposals by Vauxhall Motors to import a Japanese commercial vehicle for sale in the United Kingdom have angered ministers and the Transport and General Workers' Union. Vauxhall wants to bring in 4,000 one-ton Isuzu pick-ups to widen its range. Page 15

£65m sports car plant for Belfast

Investment in a US-owned sports car assembly plant for Belfast will total £65m, Mr Roy Mason, Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, announced. It will be a joint venture between the De Lorean Motor Company and the Northern Ireland *Development Agency* Page 15

House prices up 14.5pc on year

Average house prices have risen by 14.5 per cent compared with a year ago, according to the Department of the Environment. For new homes the average price is now £17,110, and for second-hand £15,350 Page 16

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Israeli aircraft attack Palestinian base

From Moshe Brilliant
Tel Aviv, Aug 3

Five hours after a terrorist bomb killed an Israeli and injured 50 people in the Carmel market here, Israeli aircraft attacked an area in Lebanon described as a Palestinian terrorist training base.

The raid was announced by the Cabinet Secretary instead of the Army spokesman. Officials said this was not politically significant, but was meant to underscore the warning to the terrorists. "The murderous organizations will be hit wherever they may be", the announcement said.

Israel radio said tonight the raid was approved shortly after this morning's bombing in a telephone conversation between Mr Menachem Begin, the Prime Minister, and Mr Ezer Weizman, the Defence Minister.

The air raid brought to mind an action on July 9 when Israeli jets buzzed Beirut as a tacit warning to the Syrians to desist from what the Israelis said was a plan to systematically annihilate the Lebanese Christians. Army sources said today's action was not connected with the internal situation in Lebanon although the Israelis were watching closely.

"The terrorists have lately announced they intend to resume attacks against Israel and targets abroad", a high military source said. "Today's attack on a civilian target showed what they had in mind. We want them to know that every action will bring a reaction and we will hit them everywhere."

The air raid target was on the southern bank of the Zaharani river eight miles south-east of the port city of Sidon. The officer said the area between the Zaharani and Litani rivers was infested with guerrillas.

The colourful Carmel market was teeming with shoppers and tourists this morning when the bomb went off under a stall selling clothing. This evening one victim was reported to have died on the operating table and six others were in a serious condition.

Beirut: The Marxist Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine took responsibility for the bomb explosion.—AP.

Photograph and camp clashes, page 4

President Giscard evades tractor protest by angry pig farmers in Brittany

From Our Own Correspondent
Paris, Aug 3

Angry pig farmers tried to disrupt President Giscard d'Estaing's visit to Brittany today by using their tractors, full of reeking pigs swill, to block off roads in the area.

But the President, who came to study at first hand the effects of oil from the wrecked supertanker Amoco Cadiz, arrived by helicopter.

More than 200 farmers then invaded the parking area where his helicopter had landed and parked so close that it could not take off in safety.

The body of a young piglet was hung from one of the helicopter's blades and slogans were daubed on it: "Black tide, red anger", said one. "Pork at 7.20 francs—that's not enough", said another.

The farmers said they would not go away until the President had agreed to meet a delegation that would explain to him their dissatisfaction with the present price of pork.

M Jean Le Bras, president of the regional federation of farmers, said: "The farmers volunteered to clean the beaches at the time of the black tide. Today they must benefit from an agricultural policy which takes into account the misery of the Breton economy."

Their tractors were used to great effect immediately after the tanker went aground as they were the first available equipment to deal with the oil pouring ashore from the wreck.

In its official report on the incident the French Senate remarked that it was fortunate that if the ship had to go aground it had done so in a pig-producing area where such equipment was speedily available.

At a press conference after a luncheon with the 13 mayors of the region the President said that so far too little attention had been paid to the problems of the sea. The Amoco Cadiz catastrophe had shown how inadequate existing international legislation was.

He outlined again the new measures introduced by France to try to cut down the risk of accidents at sea and announced that a similar project was to be studied for the Mediterranean seaboard.

The President had refused to meet a delegation because, in the words of M Alphonse Arzel, the Mayor of Ploudalmezeau, he would not give in to such blackmail. A naval helicopter was later sent for and took the President away.

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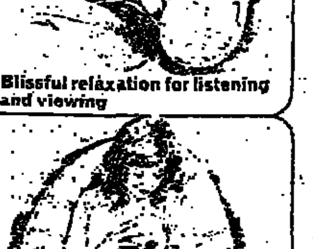

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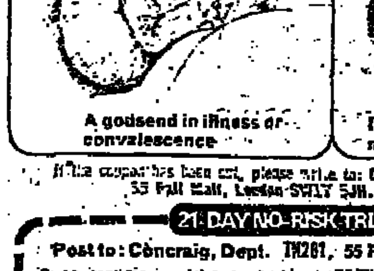

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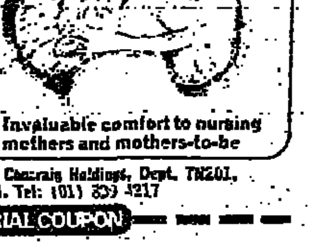

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Proposal for select committees based on government departments, but no big change in MPs' hours

By George Clark
Political Correspondent

Soon after the *Select Committee* on Commons Procedure had recommended only a minor change to reduce the hours of sittings, a group of wives of Labour MPs called a press conference yesterday to protest about the committee's rejection of the proposal that the Commons should meet in the morning and finish at 7.30 pm.

Mrs Lisanne Radice, wife of the MP for Chester-le-Street and chief spokesman for the wives, complained: "We have, on the one hand, the committee saying that they consider the work of an MP to be a full-time job, and *there is no* doubt about that, and yet they reject our view that if members are to be efficient and effective they should work more decent hours."

On that topic and several others—for example, the proposition that all Bills should be the subject of timetables—the select committee showed a division *of views between* Labour and Conservative MPs. But there was unanimity that the select committee structure should be completely changed. There is a good chance that a future government and a future House *of Commons will agree* to what is proposed. The reform would greatly strengthen the power of the backbenchers over the Executive.

The main proposal is that the select committee *structure should* be changed so that in future the committees will be based on individual government departments. Twelve new committees would cover agriculture; defence; education; science and *the arts*; energy; the environment; foreign affairs; home affairs; industry and employment; social services; trade and consumer affairs; transport; and the Treasury. The *Public Accounts Committee*: the joint, and select, committees on statutory instruments; and the Select Committee on European Legislation would continue.

Reports on cases affecting departments made by the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration (the Ombudsman) would be considered by the appropriate departmentally related committee. *The work of the Select Committee* on Nationalized Industries and the Select Committee on Science and Technology would be distributed to the appropriate committees, and the committees would have wide powers of inquiry, covering not only departments but also the quasi-autonomus national *government* organisations (quangos) operating under their aegis.

On financial control, the report states: "New legislation should establish the principle that the accounts of all bodies in receipt of funds voted by Parliament should be subject to examination by the Comptroller and Auditor General. The audit staff should be regarded as *servants of the House, and the cost of* the national audit activities should be carried on the vote of the House.

"All departmental estimates should be referred to the appropriate departmentally related committees. A review of the structure and content of the accounts, statistical analyses and other regular reports presented to the House *should* be undertaken, perhaps by the Public Accounts Committee, and the new Treasury Committee, with a view to improving the means of parliamentary scrutiny."

It is recommended that the chairmen of the new select committees should "receive a modest additional salary. The committees would have more staff and research resources, and restrictions would be lifted on their power to appoint specialist advisers for particular inquiries.

Powers to compel the provision of *information* from government sources would be strengthened. "Select committees should regard any refusal by government departments to provide information relating to departmental *organization*, unless fully explained and justified to their satisfaction, as a matter of serous concern which should be brought to the attention of the House", the report states.

"*Select committees should* be empowered to order the attendance of ministers to give evidence to them and to order the production of papers and records by ministers, including Secretaries of State. In the event of a minister's refusing to produce papers and records required by a select committee, it should be empowered to claim precedence *over public business in the* House for debate on a motion ordering the provision of papers, unless time is provided by the Government."

Sir Thomas Williams, QC, Labour MP for Warrington and chairman of the Select Committee on Commons Procedure, said those new provisions were thought to be essential in view of *ministers' treatment of some of the* existing committees. The departmental committees would obviously be able to examine ministers on legislative proposals, but a new system is proposed that would allow public Bill committees, when considering new legislation, to have up to three meetings, each of not more than 2½ hours, to hear witnesses about the proposals and call for written evidence if necessary.

"We have in mind that the addition of three morning sittings for the investigative stage of each Bill would be offset by a reduction of the time taken by the later 'amendment' stage", the report states.

The 15 MPs on the Select Committee on Nationalized Industries last night tabled an early day motion describing the suggestion to abolish their committee as fundamentally misconceived. The rejection of substantial changes *in MPs' hours was criticized at a press* conference by MPs' wives yesterday. Mrs Emily MacFarquhar, wife of the Labour MP for Belper, said: "Three of us here have children under 10 and we *find that, apart from the children having* glimpses of their fathers in the morning before school, we are effectively one-parent families for six days a week. That is why the 7.30 pm deadline is so important."

Mrs Lisanne Radice said: "Our idea was that the House should meet from 10 or 10.30 am and go on until 7.30 or 8 pm. That would not reduce the actual hours worked, but it would change the day around so that at least the late-hour working would disappear."

To reduce the number of late-night sittings, the select committee proposes that any motion to continue business after 10 o'clock should not be decided in the affirmative unless not fewer than 200 MPs vote *in the majority in* support of the motion. [The Labour critics of that proposal said that government whips of any party would ensure by a three-line whip that they had the required number whenever government business was at risk.] Business on Friday, it is suggested, should begin at 9.30 am and finish at 3 pm.

The *committee recommends* that an experiment should be tried during second reading debates in the Commons to limit speakers to 10 minutes between 7 pm and 9 pm. Mr Enoch Powell, Ulster Unionist MP for Down, South, was one of those who objected. He and three other members of the committee thought that would be "destructive of genuine debate. Two hours would in effect be wasted by a dozen or more speeches in which MPs would be deprived of time to take account of argument advanced by previous *speakers or* to develop, if they wished, a complex case".

In a general amendment proposed by six Labour members of the committee, and rejected on the casting vote of the chairman, it was proposed that the timetabling of all Bills "would ensure that the democratically elected government could be sure of getting its legislation enacted . . . and would lead to the more even consideration of major Bills."

Proposing the 7.30 pm closing time, they said: "We are convinced that the present pattern of sittings is quite unnecessary; that it is left over from a more leisurely age when Parliament was dominated by the tradition of the gentleman amateur, a tradition which, we are glad to see, is fast disappearing from other aspects of our national life: and that it is high time it was ended." The wording was also rejected by the casting vote.

First Report fro mthe Select Committee on Procedure, Session 1977-78. Report and Minutes of Proceedings (Stationery Office, £3.25) *appendices to the minutes of evidence* (2.75).

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Making beer drinkers pause in their cups

By Robin Young,
By Our Consumer Affairs Correspondent

A report published yesterday by the Food Additives and Contaminants Committee may have caused a few wet chins in the public houses last night. Its contents, itemizing the strange and unfamiliar substances that go into every glass of beer, are calculated to make the most earnest drinker pause in his cups.

The *report lists more* than 60 substances that are either added to beer or used in its treatment and processing and *might intentionally or unintentionally* be present in the finished product.

Some have names which the average drinker might have difficulty pronouncing even before lifting his first pint. Dimethylpolysiloxane, for example, is added to fermening *beer to reduce foaming, and* polyvinylpolypyrrolidone is used to keep beer clear and bright.

Most of the substances get a clean bill of health from the committee and from the toxicity subcommittee of the Committee on Medical Aspects of Chemicals in Food and the Environment, to whom they were referred for an assessment of their safety in use.

Both committees recommend that the continued use of ficin, a chill-proofing agent obtained from the inedible latex of trees of the genus *Ficus*, should be prohibited until further toxicity studies have been completed.

The same applies to several specified enzymes which could be used as commercial preparations to enable barley *instead of malt to be used in* making beer.

The Ministry of Agriculture said last night that it would consider representations from the interests concerned before deciding on the proposals.

Food Additives and Containments Committee Report on the Review of Additives and Processing Aids used in the Production of Beer (Stationery Office, 70p).

Unions condemn end of 'five-year rule'

By Peter Hennessy

Civil Service union leaders yesterday condemned the Government's abolition of the rule limitin gto five years the stay in government of special advisers, appointed by ministers from outside Whitehall. The *Government* announced the change on Tuesday without consulting the unions.

Mr William Kendall, general secretary of the staff side of the National Whitley Council, the umbrella body representing all Civil Service unions, said after the meeting that the move *would have* repercussions for Civil Service industrial relations. It represented a unilateral breach by the Government of a joint agreement concluded in 1972 limiting to five years all period appointments in Whitehall.

The staff side rejected an *explanatory* note from Sir Ian Bancroft, Head of the Home Civil Service, as bland and misleading. Union leaders will demand a meeting wi
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Airports almost back to normal

British airports, except Manchester, returned to normality yesterday after the ending of the French air traffic controllers' dispute.

At Manchester last night four Britannia Airways flights were not expected to take off until this morning, after delays of up to 15 hours. Elsewhere flight paths were cleared after two weekends of disruption.

The British Airports Authority said the trouble at Manchester was caused by aircraft caught out of position by the French work-to-rule.

At Gatwick and Heathrow there were no delays to sche*duled services*.

At a meeting at Prestwick between representatives of Britain's air traffic controllers and the CAA yesterday ended with both sides much closer to agreement over safety on routes diverted from French air space, a union leader said.

Agreements on safety precautions are expected before the weekend.

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Recall of 190,000 tyres urge

From Our Correspondent
Milton Keynes

Mr Rodney Corner,
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Labour say 2m jobless under Tories

By Our Political Editor

Unemployment would increase "to two million and more" under the stated policies of the Conservative Party, Mr Joel Barnett, Chief Secretary to the Treasury, said last night. He used the same figure in maintaining that the Conservative "propaganda campaign" would cost £2m this month alone, an assertion the Tories have ridiculed.

In a message prepared for his Heywood and Royton constituency party members, Mr Barnett *sustained the Labour* Party attack on the Conservative's widely billed poster "Labour isn't working".

He suggested that there was "sickening hypocrisy" in the Conservative campaign, and that it would be "counterproductive with the millions of decent people who care about the serious problems of unemployment".

"There could be nothing worse for those who are, sadly, *unemployed than for politicians* to pretend that you only have to elect them and a good job will be immediately available. The truth is that there are no *instant solutions*."

Mr Barnett said advertising gimmicks did "great harm in playing with the emotions of the unemployed".

Mr Callaghan sidesteps the baiting

By Hugh Noyes
Parliamentary Correspondent
Westminster

Before the Commons adjourned yesterday for the summer recess, Mr James Callaghan made what many *opposition MPs regarded as his* last appearance at the dispatch box as Prime Minister to declare his interest in the abolition of the House of *Lords and his lack of interest* in any pact with the Scottish National Party that might sustain Labour in power until the spring.

With more than 60 MPs of all parties departing from the Commons for good in the event of a general election in the autumn, the Prime Minister said that if he had to rely on the SNP for support, "I would run tomorrow".

Equally anxious to dispel any rumours of a love affair between the nationalists and the Labour Party, Mr Douglas Henderson, SNP, MP for Aberdeenshire East, urged Mr Callaghan to announce the date of the devolution referendum. He warned him that if he was relying on the support of the Scottish Nationalists to *help the Government* through divisions in the Commons, he was greatly mistaken.

But the issue that brought Mrs Margaret Thatcher to her feet was Mr Callaghan's assertion that "abolition of the House of Lords has been an aspiration for many of us for many years". It has not yet been possible to achieve it "but we must always strive onwards and upwards".

Mrs Thatcher asked whether his aspirations included doing without a second Chamber altogether. Mr Callaghan replied *that* he had never found any legitimate authority for an undemocratic unelected Chamber. But as to a second Chamber, that was a different question.

Many Tory MPs, clearly believing they would meet Mr Callaghan again only when the hurly-burly's done, when the battle's lost and won, took a *last opportunity to bait him* on his past deeds and misdeeds.

But the Prime Minister is too wily an old fox to be caught in that way. Reminding them that Mr Gladstone was *83* when he formed his last Administration, and that the time had not yet come to write an autobiography, Mr Callaghan thought that the best service he had rendered the nation was to rescue it from the ungovernable situation in which it was left by the last Tory administration.

But perhaps Mr Callaghan's most devastating riposte was to Mr Fergus Montgomery, Conservative MP for Altrincham and Sale, who wanted to know why so many firms had gone bankrupt under Labour.

The Prime Minister *expressed astonishment at such* a question. He had always thought the consequences of a free market economy was that firms should be free to go bankrupt *if they did not* succeed. Surely that was the whole ethos of the Conservative Party, he suggested.

Was the Government now to be reproached for not preventing firms from going bankrupt? That, he reminded Mr Montgomery, would mean more government grants and subsidies.

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Deal with SNP ruled out

The Scottish National Party emphasized yesterday that it would *never* enter into a political pact with the Labour Government. Launching the party's general election campaign in Glasgow, Mr William Wolfe, its *chairman, said: "There is no* question of a Nat-Lab pact and there never has been.

"I should like it to be clarified that we in the SNP stand entirely on our own. That is one of the messages we shall be driving home

The campaign is in the firm expectation of an October election. Mr Andrew Welsh, SNP MP for Angus, South, and the *party's chief whip, said:* "As far as I can see, there is no question about it. All signs in Parliament are that it will be in October."

MPs attack McNee proposals

By Our Legal Correspondent

Reaction yesterday to Sir David McNee's call for sweeping new powers to be given to the police was less forceful than would be usual in such cases because the memorandum containing his proposals has not yet been officially released.

Several interested bodies they have read the document, which was published by *The Times* yesterday in full.

Some Labour MPs called for the proposals to be rejected. Mr Douglas Hoyle (Nelson and Colne) said they represented a dangerous erosion of people's liberties and would drag in many innocent people.

Mr Martin Flannery (Sheffield, Hillsborough) said the police had quite adequate powers already. The way to deal with crime was not to encroach on civil liberties.

Mr Arthur Latham (City of Westminster, Paddington) commented: "The essence of the British system is supposed to be that ordinary people can go *about their affairs and are pre*sumed innocent until proved guilty. What Sir David is asking for is a reversal of that."

On the Conservative side, *Mrs Jill Knight*, MP for Birmingham, Edgbaston, called for Sir David's recommendations to be adopted.

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'Sun' journalists vote to accept peace formula

By Donald Macintyre
Labour Reporter

The Sun will appear again tomorrow after a gap of 11 issues. Last night members of the National Union of Journalists' chapel (office branch) voted by 95 to 14, with five abstentions, to accept a formula that will enable productivity talks to take place over the next week.

The vote came after Mr Bert Hardy, managing director of News Group Newspapers, told the chapel he wanted to narrow the gap between the pay of journalists and that of some other craft unions. Dismissals issued to 224 NUJ members last Thursday are rescinded.

The journalists voted on a formula agreed with the company that called for a immediate return to work on the basis that management would act in good faith and enter immediately into discussions on the areas that they had indicated would yield a productivity deal within seven days.

The chapel had been claiming a rise of 10 per cent and a 12 per cent productivity deal.

The dispute has cost the company more than £1.6m in profit. Management said last night that an application for a 1p increase in the price of *The Sun* had been approved by the Price Commission.

The paper estimates that its rivals have been putting on 2.5 million copies a day. *The Sun's* loss of copies during the dispute is about 44 million.

At the *Daily Mirror* an internal circular said that in eight days about eight million copies of the *Daily Mirror* had got into the hands of readers of *The Sun*.

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European alert for holiday families with tinned salmon

By Arthur Osman

Customs officers and police on roads between France and Switzerland are watching for two English families from greater Birmingham who have tins of salmon with them after four pensioners from Birmingham became ill after eating salmon on Sunday.

Mr and Mrs Geoffrey Geohegan and Mr and Mrs Robert Mantle, and their two children, Lisa and Clare, from Willenhall, West Midlands, are *in a Chrysler Avenger car* WFK 357S towing a trailer on a two-week touring holiday.

Relatives consulted the Automobile Association, which sought the assistance of European authorities to try to intercept the families. They are driving to Innsbruck.

The condition of the four elderly victims of suspected botulism in intensive care at East Birmingham Hospital remained unchanged and critical after minor operations last night. They are Mr Leonard Farmer, aged 79, his wife, Clara, aged 72, and Mr Jesse Farmer, aged 64, and his wife, Betty, aged 66, all from Birmingham.

The Pasteur Institute in Paris sent a reagent used to test for botulism to the hospital yester*day on a scheduled flight to* Birmingham.

Codes on tins: The code that enabled the John West company *to identify a suspect consign*ment of tinned salmon within 12 hours is not governed by law (Hugh Clayton writes). The secret combinations of letters and numbers stamped on almost all food tins sold in Britain are part of the companies' quality control.

The law is precise about what appears on labels, but only the voluntary code in the metal enables companies to trace where and when each tin was filled and where it was dispatched. Each company in the highly competitive industry keeps its codes secret.

The time needed to trace one of the hundreds of millions of tins sold each year is small. Crosse & Blackwell, part of the Nestlé group and one of the largest tinned food companies in Britain, said: "As far as we are concerned it is half an hour".

John West, which sold the tin of Alaskan red salmon eaten by *the four pensioners, sells more* than 50,000 tons of coded food a year in Britain.

Mr Derek Price, a director of the company, said it had known of the suspect tin late on Monday night. "By 11 am on Tuesday we were able to give each salesman a list of where we had delivered the suspect code."

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Tip to be covered after dumping of bacteria

Urgent action is to be taken to isolate a rubbish tip in Coatbridge, Glasgow, where 20 sacks of potentially dangerous bacteria were dumped. The sacks contained thousands of laboratory plates harbouring scores of colonies of infected bacteria of medical samples.

The area is to be covered with topsoil and will be fenced off. *Mr Thomas Somers*, vice-convener of the local council's environmental health committee, said he believed there was no health hazard. "We do not know yet whether the sacks will eventually be removed".

Glasgow District Council are *making* inquiries to find out why the sacks, from the city's Royal Hospital for Sick Children, were dumped at the tip.

Dr Alex Campbell, community medica lspecialist for Lanarkshire Health Board, with responsibility for infectious diseases, said after visiting the tip: "The sacks are buried and there is no health hazard. We believe there is no real danger."

More powers proposed for the districts

By Christopher Warman
Local Government Correspondent

The Government has decided to go ahead with plans to change the organization of local government, giving more powers to the largest districts at the expense of counties in the non-metropolitan areas of England.

The decision in principle will mean that some district councils may get responsibility for the personal social services, education and roads and traffic, and all of them will get sole responsibility for most planning decisions. The announcement was made in a Commons written reply by Mr Peter Shore, Secretary of State for the Environment.

Although the decision is as *yet only in principle and further* consultations are to be held, it will annoy the county councils, which stand to lose important functions they have *administered since* the reorganization in 1974.

Mr Shore said the objective of "organic" or limited change essentially was to enable certain *improvements to* be made in a pragmatic way in the distribution of functions between county and district authorities, and so deal with the worst shortcomings of the system. "Although opinion is understandably divided on these matters, the Government believes that there is a good case for "organic" or limited change in some of these functions", he added.

Mr Shore said the Government *had concluded that the* case for transfer of personal social services functions to the larger districts that wanted them, in particular those that *had them before the reorgani*zation, was in principle strong, but the districts in question would need to have a population of at least 100,000.

Referring to education, Mr Shore said the responsible authorities needed to be substantial in size in order to be able to provide adequate services, and most of the non-metropolitan district councils were much too small. Accordingly, the Government proposed that the case for change should be examined individually in respect of each of the nine largest former county boroughs, such as Bristol, Derby, Hull and Plymouth.

Most of the larger district councils are already involved to a degree in the provision of highway and traffic management services through agency agreements with the county councils, but the Government is considering the possibility that some districts should exercise these powers in their own right.

Mr Shore said that it was gene*rally agreed in the plan*ning field that there should be a better defined division of responsibilities for development control between counties *and districts to avoid the* duplication that so often occurred.

Mr Shore *first* suggested the idea of limited change about 18 months ago, but he has always made clear that there is no question of imposing new functions on districts that do not want them. He believes that the system cannot be imposed uniformly on all authorities.

The decision was welcomed by the Association of District Councils.

"We are extremely pleased that the Government recognizes the importance of bringing such services closer to the people by decision-making on essentially local services being taken at town hall level", Sir Duncan Lock, chairman of the association, said.

BBC may not make film on life of Dr Leavis

By Our Arts Reporter

A film on the life of Dr F. R. Leavis, who *died* last April, may not be made by BBC Television because of objections by his widow.

In The Times Literary Supplement this week, Mrs Queenie Leavis describes the proposal to make the film as "an unjustifiable piece of commercial exploitation" and asks that no one should supply tapes, film, photographs, letters or interviews.

Mrs Leavis maintains that the BBC's television presentations department demanded her cooperation. She said she replied that she, her children and literary executor wholly opposed any such project and would not allow the BBC to use any copyright material, letters or photographs, give interviews, "or allow television cameras into our home".

Mr William Wyatt, head of presentation programmes, said yesterday that no demand was made. "We wrote asking if we could go and see her in the *first* place. We explained the kind of programme we had in mind, a programme in his honour which would explain the interest and value of his work."

Several people had said they would not help. "We should like to do the film but not in the face of fierce protests from dozens of people", he said. "We were aware that Dr and Mrs Leavis did not hold television and the BBC in high regard; *we simply thought he* would be an interesting subject."

A decision will be made soon.

Nalgo London weighting claim

The National and Local Government Officers' Association is to seek improvements in *London weighting payments for* its members of £192 a year in inner London, £60 in outer London, £39 in inner fringe areas and £27 in outer fringe areas.

Landslip traps three

*Three children who were par*tially buried by sand and rubble in a landslide yesterday were dug out by holidaymakers and flown by helicopter from Alum Bay on the Isle of Wight to hospital.

Licence delays

The Driver and Vehicle Licensing Centre, Swansea, said yesterday that protest action is delaying licence issues.

Weather forecast and recordings

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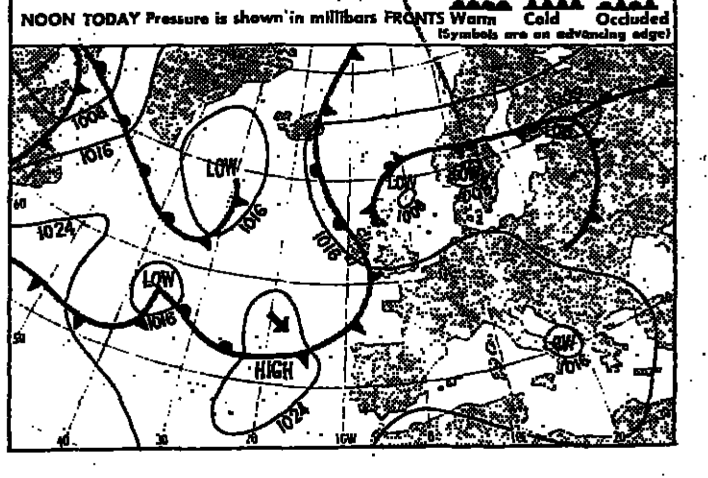

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Sun rises: 5.28 am
Sun sets: 8.44 pm
Moon rises: 6.1 am
Moon sets: 8.36 pm

New moon: 2.1 am.

Lighting up: 9.14 pm to 5.0 am. High water: London Bridge, 3.2 am, 6.8m (22.3ft); 3.16 pm, 6.9m (22.7ft). Avonmouth, 8.22 am, 12.3m (40.2ft); 8.32 pm, 12.5m (40.9ft). Dover, 12.8 am, 6.2m (20.2ft); 12.27 pm, 6.4m (21.0ft). *Hull*, 7.12 *am*, 7.0m (22.8ft); 7.45 pm, 6.9m (22.7ft). Liverpool, 12.12 am, 8.8m (28.9ft); 12.31 pm; 8.7m (28.6ft).

Pressure will remain low over the North Sea, with a trough of low pressure approaching SW Britain.

Forecasts for 6 am to midnight

London, SE and Central S England: Scattered showers, probably more widespread later, bright or sunny intervals; wind SW, moderate; max temp 18°C to 20°C (64°F to 68°F).

East Anglia, Midlands: Occasional showers, bright intervals; wind SW, moderate: max temp 17°C to 20°C (63°F to 68°F).

NE, E and Central N England: *Occasional showers*, bright intervals; wind SW to W, moderate; max temp 16°C to 18°C (61°F to 64°F).

SW England, Channel Islands: Outbreaks of rain or drizzle becoming more widespread, rather cloudy, hill fog; wind SW, moderate; *max temp 16°C to 19°C (61°F to 66°F)*.

Borders, Edinburgh, Dundee, Aberdeen, Central Highlands, Moray Firth: Occasional rain or *showers, rather cloudy*, hill fog patches, few bright intervals; wind N to NW, light to moderate; max temp 14°C to 16°C (57°F to 61°F).

Glasgow, Argyll, NW and SW *Scotland, N Ireland: Occasional* rain, mostly cloudy, hill fog patches: wind N to NW, moderate; max temp 13°C to 16°C (55°F to 61°F).

NE Scotland, Orkney, Shetland: Occasional rain, dull, hill and coastal fog patches: wind N to NE, moderate; max temp 12°C to 13°C (54°F to 55°F).

Outlook for the weekend: Continuing unsettled, with temperatures near normal.

Sea passages: S North Sea, Strait of Dover: Wind SW, moderate or fresh; sea moderate.

English Channel (E): Wind W to SW, moderate or fresh; sea moderate.

St George's Channel, Irish Sea: Wind W, moderate; sea slight.

WEATHER REPORTS YESTERDAY MIDDAY: c, cloud; f, fair; r, rain; s, sun.

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Amsterdm	r	16	61	Dublin	r	15	59	Locarno	f	26	79	Paris	f	20	68
Athens	c	29	84	Edinburgh	c	15	59	London	f	19	66	Reykjavik	r	10	50
Barcelona	c	27	81	Florence	c	29	84	Luxemburg	f	19	66	Rome	c	27	81
Belfast	c	14	57	Funchal	f	23	73	Madrid	s	29	84	Ronldsway	r	14	57
Berlin	c	26	79	Geneva	f	19	66	Majorca	c	26	79	Stockholm	c	26	79
Biarritz	c	17	63	Gibraltar	s	26	79	Malaga	f	30	86	Tel Aviv	s	27	81
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Brussels	c	18	64	Innsbruck	f	24	75	Moscow	f	28	82	Warsaw	c	23	73
Budapest	f	28	82	Istanbul	s	25	77	Munich	f	25	77	Zurich	c	23	73
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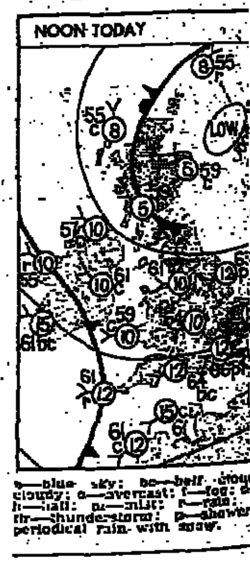

b—blue sky; bc—half cloudy; c—cloudy; o—overcast; f—fog; d—drizzle; h—hail; m—mist; r—rain; s—snow; th—thunderstorm; p—showers; periodical rain with snow.

Yesterday

London: Temp: Max, 7 pm, 21°C (70°F); mi to 7 am, 15°C (59°F). H 7 pm, 76 per cent. Rain 7 pm, 0.11in. Sun, 24hr 2.5hr. Bar. mean sea pm, 1,011.7 millibars, ris 1,000 millibars=29.53in.

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Gorleston	0.2	.09	19	66
Clacton	1.5	.15	19	66
Margate	1.9	.08	20	68
Herne Bay	2.6	.09	21	70
S COAST				
Hastings	6.5	—	19	66
Eastbourne	8.4	.04	19	66
Brighton	6.9	—	19	66
Bognor	7.1	—	20	68
Southsea	8.0	—	21	70
Sandown	10.2	—	20	68
Bournemouth	7.9	—	20	68
Exmouth	1.4	—	19	66
Torquay	3.3	—	20	68
Falmouth	1.0	—	17	63
W COAST				
Morecambe	—	.56	16	61
Blackpool	0.3	.65	16	61
Anglesey	0.1	.24	15	59
Ilfracombe	1.8	—	17	63
Newquay	4.3	.03	17	63

Overseas selling prices
Austria, Sch 18; Belgium,
Canaries, Pes 60; Denmark,
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Norway, Kr 4.50; Portugal,
Spain, Pes 60; Sweden,
Switzerland, Sfr 2.30; US
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rgaret Stone

re a wife earns more than sband young couples are to be offered lower mort- than when the earning y is reversed, according irvey published yesterday e Equal Opportunities ssion.

Howe, deputy chairman commission, said that omplaints about the atti- building societies to the of working wives, it had ssioned the Consumers' ation systematically to in- te building society policy. results indicate that some g societies, with the ich Equitable and the ham and Gloucester out among the larger s, are likely to discrim- against a couple with a earning wife.

s were paid to 231 es of 80 societies. In instances the "husband" d to earn £3,650 and the £2,400; at other times comes were reversed.

survey showed that in 28 nt of cases where the arned more the branches had refused to take her as the main basis for ting the mortgage. In a 10 per cent of cases nch manager had agreed her salary as the main nly after some persua-

ough there was little e in the best offers, est was £7,900 where the d was the main bread- but only £5,500 when e as the higher earner. the examples been prospective borrowers ieties would have been liable under the Sex Discrimination Act, which makes it an offence for a building society to decide on the basis of sex alone which of two incomes shall be used as the main basis for a loan.

Lady Howe acknowledged that most married couples would be happy to have the husband's income used as the main basis, but said that the right to have either income used was of significant importance to a minority of couples.

Difficulties were at branch rather than head office level of the societies, she said, urging societies to make sure that they complied with the Act and to remember the rapid changes in working pattern.

She said that couples should be more aware of their rights and inquire into a society's lending policy before deciding where to invest.

Mr Alan Cumming, chief general manager of the Woolwich, did not dissent from the survey but said that only one complaint had reached the society through the commission. He was "furious" about the discriminatory label and has asked the commission for more details.

Lady Howe said some branch managers were reluctant, or refused, to use the wife's income as the main mortgage basis

Comments ranged from: "If you were over 40 it wouldn't matter" and "Many people say that (they won't have children), but few actually stick to their word" to "It may be different if your wife has had a hysterectomy, ha, ha".

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Experiments on water meter use 'too costly'

By Our Local Government Correspondent

The Government has rejected a call from the Price Commission for experiments into the possibility of using meters as the basis for water charges.

Its decision comes in a response from Mr Roy Hattersley and Mr Peter Shore, respectively Secretaries of State for the Department of Prices and Consumer Protection, and for the Environment, to a report last month by the commission on the Thames Water Authority.

The commission suggested that an extensive programme of metering experiments was desirable. In reply, the ministers express reservations on the grounds of cost. Moreover, "if metering were to provide too great a disincentive to water use, public health might be put at risk".

But they will review with the industry evidence on metering in Britain and abroad as a basis for future work.

EEC policy: Plans from the EEC were inadequate to protect water supplies from pollution, the Lords Select Committee on the European Communities said yesterday (our Staff Reporter writes). It said after examining a draft Community directive about pollution of groundwater that farming had been left out.

"Wastes from normal agricultural activities constitute one of the major hazards in groundwater pollution", the committee said. More than a quarter of Britain's water comes from underground.

The EEC is considering a further set of rules for farming.

EEC Environment Policy: Lords Paper 233 (Stationery Office, 30p).

Hypnosis, 3: Evidence that audiences may be exposed to risk of mental damage

Doctors propose a Bill to restrict stage mesmerism

By Robert Parker

The British Society of Medical and Dental Hypnosis, supported by other medical bodies, is trying to persuade the Government to strengthen controls on the use of hypnotism in entertainment.

The society is concerned at the risk of physical and mental damage to some people hypnotized in audiences by persons who are not medically trained. Dr David Waxman, a member of the society, who uses hypnotism in treating patients, has listed cases where things have gone wrong, even causing death, as a result of stage hypnotism.

His efforts to persuade the Government to amend the Hypnotism Act, 1952, are being supported by the royal colleges of psychiatrists, general practioners and physicians.

Many doctors who use hypnosis also feel that stage hypnosis has given the technique a bad name and an image of quackery. Dr Gwyn Mason, a West Country GP, said: "We read all too often of impressionable people being hypnotized in clubs. Having been given post-hypnotic suggestions at the time, some of these people find themselves acutely disturbed afterwards sometimes having to seek psychiatric help. These cases are sometimes reported in the press, and must do great harm to a powerful therapeutic weapon."

Dr Waxman and his colleagues at the society are trying to persuade the Home Office to get the Government itself to amend the Hypnotism Act, which was introduced mainly to limit and control hypnotism in entertainment.

Dr Waxman says the provisions of the Act, and their enforcement, are not effective enough, especially as hypnotism on club stages and cabarets appears to be increasing.

The society tried without success last year to find an MP to adopt its campaign as a private member's Bill. Recently Dr Waxman met Dr Shirley Summerskill, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State at the Home Office, to put the case.

The Home Office has made no official response, but it is understood that officials think that there is not enough documented evidence of the dangers for the Government to bring forward legislation on its own. It is also thought that the prohibition of hypnosis would be extremely difficult to enforce.

The society is urging that licensing procedures for stage hypnotism should be tightened. It wants all clubs to be brought under the control of the Act, and for fines to be increased from the present maximum of £50. At present magistrates or councils grant permission.

"Permission is being granted just for the asking", Dr Waxman said. "The people who grant permission, through no fault of their own, are not usually in a position to evaluate an application, and what risks may be involved. But licensing authorities never seem to bother to seek advice and guidance. In 20 years, I have only been approached once for such advice."

The society also wants a ban on the advertising of events where hypnosis is to take place, except in cases of legitimate demonstration, and a ban on the distribution of recorded tapes or records that might induce hypnotism.

Records that claimed to cure smoking, for example, might be sold. "That could be extremely dangerous if it caught on as a commercial idea", Dr Waxman said, "especially if used by someone who was not a suitable subject."

The society has presented the Home Office with a list of 13 dangers of stage hypnotism. The most important is that it is impossible to check the suitability of every member of the audience to be hypnotized.

People who are anxious might become more anxious, the society said. If they are depressed, they might become more depressed, "and the possibility of suicide cannot be overlooked.

"Conditions such as cerebral tumours, neurological disorders, hypoglycaemia, thyroid dysfunction and drug dependence can be recognized only by the medically trained. All those illnesses may present psychological symptoms which the unwary and unqualified hypnotist may meet."

One notable case in recent years of stage hypnosis going wrong occurred in 1972, when Sonya Cunningham, aged 19, drowned in her bath, four months after being hypnotized.

The South Shields coroner was highly critical of stage hypnosis after he had been told that the girl had complained for weeks after being hypnotized at a night club that she could not forget the hypnotist's voice telling her to relax, and that she was frightened of falling asleep in the bath.

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n attempt to attract al voters, Mr Michael ne, shadow environment r, yesterday launched a gn to highlight Conser- housing policies, with lar emphasis on the drive to expand home hip.

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Heseltine comments in gust edition of *Conserva- ews* that over a quarter entury an economic gap pened up between the tenant and the owner- r of wellnigh unbridge- oportions.

ners can improve, sell, o another part of the country, repair, let off a spare room, and in the end leave a considerable capital sum to their children.

"Council tenants have no such advantage. They dare not move for fear they will not qualify for a place on another council list. Every decision depends on the discretion of the local authority. They are imprisoned by their own environment.

"In recent years as inflation and high taxation eroded their living standards it has become increasingly difficult to save the deposit which makes ownership possible."

Mr Heseltine says that with the aim of expanding home ownership on a "massive scale", the Conservative Party would offer a statutory right to council and new town tenants to buy at prices that reflected their position as sitting tenants.

That would represent a significant improvement on the present terms, particularly for those who had been tenants for some time.

Mr Heseltine acknowledges the continuing need for rented properties. "We plan to introduce a tenants' charter setting out clearly the relationship and rights of the tenants and local authorities, and to involve tenants more closely in the management of their own homes", he says.

As soon as economic circumstances permitted the Conservatives would like to help young couples who want to buy their own homes by giving them a generous bonus to add to their savings.

A Conservative government would remove the uncertainties and deterrents hampering the building industry's ability to provide the new homes people wanted. Conservatives would repeal the Community Land Act, modify the development land tax, and remove the threat of nationalization and of unfair competition from inefficient direct-labour organizations.

Equity sharing: The power of local authorities to grant options to buy council houses under equity sharing schemes is to be clarified in legislation to be introduced as soon as possible, Mr Peter Shore, Secretary of State for the Environment, announced yesterday.

In a Commons written reply, he said the Government wanted to encourage viable equity sharing schemes, but there was some doubt whether councils had the power to grant options to people to buy council houses.

Centenary hike: M Guy Touzeau, a Frenchman, aged 68, and his travelling companion, Mlle Rose, outside Dover yesterday at the start of a walk to Edinburgh to mark the centenary of Robert Louis Stevenson's book, *Travels with a Donkey*. The pair have completed a 1,600-mile bike across France and Mlle Rose has her own passport, bearing five pictures,

Ban sought on shops' misleading 'bargains'

By Robin Young
Consumer Affairs Correspondent

Mr John Fraser, Minister of State for Prices and Consumer Protection, said yesterday that the Government hoped to round off its orders aimed at achieving a clear display of shop prices by banning misleading bargain offers and comparisons with manufacturers' recommended retail prices.

Mr Gordon Borrie, Director-General of Fair Trading, recently recommended action against both forms of advertising.

Mr Fraser said bargain price offers were often spurious and misleading. "Claimed reductions often offer no truthful information at all", he said. "I went to buy a cassette player and in one shop saw it offered at £120, which was said to be £30 off. I then went to another shop and bought it for £80 without any claim of any reduction from makers' list price."

A tour of a shop specializing in small electrical goods and domestic appliances had shown, he said, that the manufacturers' recommended prices would have given a mark-up of up to 200 per cent.

He was aware that to marketing men bargain offers were a useful means of promotion, but thought that only those comparisons with substantiated prices elsewhere or reductions from the shop's own previous selling price should be permitted.

Recommended prices should be for the internal use of the trade only, and not used "with doubtful truth" to confuse the public.

In brief

Sailor gets boat owner's writ

A writ has been issued by a Yarmouth solicitor, acting under *instructions* from the owner of a fishing boat, the Scroby Queen, and served on Mr William Smith, aged 49, a Norfolk farmer, alleging £3,000 damage by Mr Smith to the boat.

The Scroby Queen is one of six boats alleged to have been in encounter with Mr Smith in his boat Excelsior at the end of an eventful voyage from Fraserburgh, Grampian.

French skipper fined

Auguste Wacogne a trawler skipper of Etaples, near Boulogne, was fined £1,200 with £100 costs at Dover Magistrates' Court yesterday, after pleading guilty to three charges of carrying nets with too small a mesh while within British fishing limits.

Hospital shortage

Emergency admissions to Stonehouse Hospital, Strathclyde, have stopped because of a shortage of anaesthetists. Emergency cases are being sent to hospitals at Carluke and East Kilbride.

Red salmon theft

Sheffield police are seeking the person who cut telephone wires to a store in Constable Road, Sheffield, threw half a brick through a glass door, and made off with 20 tins of John West red salmon.

Hold-up couple sought

Northamptonshire police were hunting yesterday for a couple who hel dup wit ha gun Mr George Spencer, aged 31, a van driver, of Flore, Northamptonshire, siphoned petrol from his tank, and then made him set fire to the van.

Divers find wreck

Bournemouth and Poole club divers believe they have found the wreck of a German submarine sunk by depth charges in 1917 about ten miles from the Needles. The submarine has become home for hundreds of fish.

Policemen sought

Derbyshire police are to use job centres and employment offices in the county in a recruitment drive next week in an attempt to get 200 more officers.

Further bail remand for police

Two policemen at Southall, London, facing various charges, were further remanded on bail when they appeared at Horseferry Road Magistrates' Court, Westminster, yesterday.

Police Constable Piara Singh Kenth, aged 39, of Coldershaw Road, West Ealing, was charged with falsely telling a detective constable at Southall police station that a man he knew to be guilty of an offence was in Northampton, with intent to impede the man's apprehension or prosecution. He was remanded until November 14.

Police Constable Ian Reeves, of Bury Avenue, Hayes, London, faces six charges dating back to 1971 alleging theft and dishonest handling of two Pakistani passports, an Indian passport, a British passport and other property. He was granted unconditional bail until October 3.

The officers, both from the Southall immigration squad, have been suspended from duty.

Knives and ropes in IRA man's cell

Staff at the top security jail at Wakefield, West Yorkshire, have uncovered home-made knives, ropes and money hidden in the cell of an IRA terrorist, the Home Office said yesterday.

The equipment was to have been used, it is thought, in an attempt to break out of the jail, which houses many of the most dangerous criminals.

The Home Office said yesterday: "The equipment was discovered on July 2 and involved six IRA men, who have all since been dealt with. "They received one month's loss of privileges with loss of pay, which is a fair indication of the seriousness with which we regard it."

It was not an escape attempt, it added. The men were dealt with for being in possession of the equipment.

"We look upon the discovery of the equipment as a viadication and proof of the quality of the staff", the statement said. "They are on their toes and doing their job."

Prison staff made a search of cells when a trace of wax was discovered on a pass key reallocated to an officer who had been on holiday. They found a forged key.

London group of members suing printing union

The Society of Graphical and Allied Trades, which has 200,000 members in the printing industry, is being sued in the High Court by a large group of members of the London Central branch and represent a tenth of the union. They allege that they were wrongly excluded from the union's biennial delegate council meeting last May.

They are asking the court to declare the proceedings invalid. The delegate council is the union's supreme governing body. An early hearing, probably in October, has been ordered by a judge.

Checks ordered on ambulances

More than half Scotland's ambulances will be out of commission for one more week while checks are made, it was decided at a meeting of ambulance chiefs, union representatives and officials of the Common Services Agency yesterday.

Vauxhall, the makers, denied liability, but the ambulancemen insist that the vehicles are unsafe after a number of incidents in which wheels have fallen off.

Vandalism conference

West Midlands police are to organize on September 19 a one-day conference on vandalism, which is costing about £5m a year in terms of public property alone.

Airline plans building

British Caledonian Airways plans to build a nine-storey office block close to Gatwick airport to house 1,100 of the airline's staff.

72 helicopter rescues

Naval helicopters from Culdrose, Cornwall, rescued 72 people during the first seven months of this year, compared with 28 for the corresponding period last year.

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was uproar at Cardiff Court yesterday when Powell was accused of after ordering a l boy, aged 16, who was uilty of robbery to be for three years.

rl Johnson, a member diff's coloured com- was applauded by about ople in the public gal- en he shouted to the 'Your behaviour in this been outrageous. You acist and have proved it by inflicting your racist behaviour on me and on other members of the black community. You should be in that dock." Judge Powell ordered Mr Johnson to be detained and later jailed him for 10 days for contempt.

The boy, of Llanrumney, Cardiff, was found guilty and Peter James Andrews, aged 18, of Narberth Road, Ely, Cardiff, pleaded guilty to robbing Mr Garfield Jones, aged 60, an invalid in his council flat in May this year. Mr Andrews was jailed for three years.

Charity appeals to be broadcast free

Voluntary groups are to be given air-time free of charge on a commercial television station starting next week.

Their appeals for volunteers will be shown during programme breaks on ATV, the Midlands station, when station announcements or "trailers" are usually transmitted.

The first public service announcements will be put out by the Leicester Voluntary Workers' Bureau and Salop Community Council.

ATV emphasized that it would not be "losing out" on any commercials. The success of the scheme would depend on support from the groups, not on the initial response.

The Independent Broadcasting Authority has granted copy clearance to all the announcements completed so far. Ten have been arranged for this month.

The concept of television reflecting the needs of the community was brought back from the United States by Mr Kevin Morrison, an ATV station announcer. He studied public service broadcasting through a Churchill scholarship

So far the only public service announcements seen on television have been those produced by the Central Office of Information, dealing chiefly with health and safety.

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Cottage siege was stunt, defence says

A siege at North Aston, Oxfordshire, was a publicity stunt, North Oxfordshire magistrates were told yesterday. Mr Paul Franklin, for the defence, said that David Brain, aged 31 of Bretch Hill, Banbury, would be pleading not guilty to having a double barrel shotgun and ammunition with intent to endanger life.

"This charge will be firmly contested. In no way did he intend to endanger life", he said. Mr Brain was remanded in custody for seven days.

Call for Nottingham Forest spirit in fighting crime

From Our Correspondent
Nottingham

Mr Douglas Betts, Nottingham's chief magistrate, called yesterday for the public spirit that brought success to Nottingham Forest Football Club last season to be used against crime.

He said that Nottingham had the worst crime rate outside London. He described the city as "the shame of the nation" and added: "If a minute part of the public enthusiasm and support which lifted Forest was rallied behind the suppression of violence and crime our children and grandchildren could look forward to a more tranquil world."

Mr Betts, chairman of the Nottingham City Bench, was speaking at the swearing-in of 30 new magistrates, bringing the city's total to more than 300, one for every thousand of the population.

Detective in team inquiring into great-aunt's murder

From Our Correspondent
Portsmouth

Det Sergeant Robert Parker was among policemen yesterday investigating the murder of his great-aunt, Miss Agnes Jervis, who celebrated her ninetieth birthday last Saturday. Sergeant Parker was at the celebration.

He was called from his annual holiday to join fifty detectives searching for a man who killed Miss Jervis at her home in Duke Crescent, Portsmouth, in zied and bizarre knife attack.

Miss Jervis's body was found on the bathroom floor of her council flat. She had been stabbed several times in the chest with a 10-inch bread knife from her kitchen.

Det Supt Norman Green, who is leading the inquiries, said: "The attack was apparently without motive. There is no question of a sexual attack and we are still trying to discover if anything was stolen."

Conflict in White Papers, BBC says

By Kenneth Gosling

Sir Michael Swann, chairman of the BBC, has raised a further objection to last week's White Paper on broadcasting. The BBC has complained of the risk of government interference raised by the proposal that there should be Home Office nominees on service management boards.

Sir Michael maintains that the first paper conflicts with Wednesday's White Paper on the United Kingdom's external services.

That stated that the external services could be more effective and influential than the Government's own information service because of their "complete independence from the Government in matters of programme content".

Sir Michael said: "There appears to be a conflict between that statement and the one in last week's White Paper that about half the members of the external services management board should be Home Office appointees."

He also expressed dismay that the question first raised by the Central Policy Review Staff (the Government's so-called "think tank") over the future of some of the vernacular services had been extended to them all, and that they were to be investigated for the tenth time since 1952.

There are 38 such services, varying from Arabic to Vietnamese. The White Paper said that financial savings in that area would be small compared with the increase in expenditure necessary to maintain the audibility of the external services.

An investment programme of £20m over the next five years to help to maintain the BBC's competitive position is to be undertaken.

The BBC is relieved that the White Paper rejected the review staff's plan for cuts of a third (between 8 pm and 4 am) in the English-language World Service broadcasts.

Church objects: Further opposition to the proposal in the broadcasting White Paper on Home Office nominees came yesterday from a Church of England working party and from Equity, the actors' union.

Equity said it was difficult to see how even the most enthusiastic opponents of the BBC could support the establishment of boards made up of a mixture of management and political appointees and chaired by BBC governors.

The Church of England said the appointment of government nominees at that level "would inevitably give rise to a greatly increased danger of official pressure on the day-to-day operational processes of the BBC and thus open the way to new potential threats to its independence".

£4,000 in fines on addict who had heroin

Ahmad Sultani, aged 31, an Iranian drug addict, tried to dispose of two packages of heroin valued at nearly £2,000 by throwing them out of a window when customs officials and the police raided his London hotel room, it was stated at Marylebone Magistrates' Court, London, yesterday.

Mr Sultani, described as a merchant, who lives in New York, was fined £4,000, with £100 costs, after pleading guilty to having 12.1 grams of diamorphine and 2.8 grams of diamorphine hydrochloride

Mr Ronald North, for the prosecution, said Mr Sultani had more than $7,000 on him, but there was no question of trafficking. He said if Mr Sultani had been caught with the drugs in Iran he said he would have been shot,

Birmingham water supply 'endangered by scheme'

From Our Correspondent
Welshpool

The Craig Goch reservoir in Mid Wales might not need to be enlarged until 1993 if the Welsh National Water Development Authority gets permission to take 30 million gallons a day from the Wye at Monmouth, it was stated at a public inquiry at Llandrindod Wells yesterday. The authority wants to increase the flow from the Elan Valley reservoirs in Powys so that it can take water from the Wye.

The Severn Trent Water Authority is objecting on the ground that that would endanger supplies to Birmingham, which receives most of its water from the Elan valley. Mr Graham Sharp, the Severn Trent assistant director of operations, said yesterday that it had been agreed that if the Wye scheme was approved and if his authority was granted permission to take water from sandstone strata in Salop there would be no need to enlarge Craig Goch reservoir until 1993

"It might not be until the turn of the century or later, depending on demand", he said, but added that it was assumed that the economy would improve and there would be an increased demand

The enlargement of the Craig Goch reservoir is a joint proposal by the two authorities. But Mr Sharp said the Wye scheme and the Salop project should precede the Craig Goch extension and the Craig Goch proposals should not detract from the other schemes.

His authority did not oppose the Welsh authority scheme entirely but the proposals might cut supplies to Birmingham by 33 per cent.

The inquiry continues today.

Discrimination by whites in race equality body alleged

Allegations of discrimination by white members of the senior management of the Commission for Racial Equality have been madt by Mr Aaron Haynes, chairman of the Association of Scientific, Technical and Managerial Staff group at the commission.

In a letter to the commissioners dated July 4, he alleges that action by white officials has undermined the black chief executive and full-time deputy chairman.

Mr Peter Tucker, the chief executive has challenged Mr Haynes, who is a principal regional officer in the commission, to substantiate the allegations. But a black official at the commission said yesterday that no evidence had so far been forthcoming.

Other allegations for which evidence is awaited are that work given to white officers fell within the duties of black officers and that the Equal Opportunities Division of the commission is conceived as a white power base. The division is responsible for fighting discrimination in organizations and promoting equality of opportunity.

The allegations have created a split at the commission between the ASTMS and its smaller sister union, the Society of Civil and Public Servants. The ASTMS has 116 members at the commission, most of them black.

HOME NEWS

Docks must cut £16m-a-year loss

PLA is challenged to live in the present

By Michael Baily

To qualify for £45m aid offered by the Government the Port of London, Britain's oldest and largest, is being challenged to slough off the bitter memories of a century and start living in the present.

It has to cut its losses of £16m a year by getting rid of overmanning and restrictive practices which Mr William Rodgers, Secretary of State for Transport, said in the Commons on Wednesday, are the main cause of those losses.

Probably nearly a third of the PLA's 8,400 workforce is surplus to requirements, even with both upper docks staying open. Of the surplus of 2,000 to 2,500, nearly a thousand are registered dockers for whom, with declining traffic through the port, there is no work, but under the unique privilege of the National Dock Labour Scheme the PLA cannot dismiss them.

A London docker earns between £80 and £100 a week when working and £60 to £75 when not. An employer can get rid of him only because of serious misdemeanour or voluntary redundancy, with a severance payment of up to £7,000 financed by government loan and an employer levy.

If an employer goes out of business his dockers are reallocated to the rest. The PLA, for example, received 250 unwanted men when a private stevedore employing 350 stopped trading in the spring.

What the PLA seeks to establish here, which the Government has tacitly accepted with its offer of £35m redundancy grants, is that unemployment is the responsibility of the state, not the employer. That applies particularly to 250 of those 980 surplus dockers who are medically unfit and would probably never work again, ever if work were there.

But the surplus is not confined to those technically without work. Checking cargo on and off ships and lorries is often done by two men instead of one, a staff of several hundred "tally clerks".

That dates from the days when one man checked for the shipowner and anotee for the port. Now practically all work for the port, but the separate function, and separate union representation, persist. The PLA wants an integrated tally force.

The multiplicity of unions, nine in all, with overlapping representation, produces not only duplication but slower responses to customer inquiries and general inefficiency in marketing and production, according to the PLA. It wants clearer definition of union representation.

In the "Royal" group of docks "custom and practice" dictate gangs of 10 to 12 men where six would do. Throughout the port men demand £5 a day or more for working ouside their established "sector" of the port. The PLA wants mobility of movement and flexibility in gang size. It wants muli-skill craftsmen to repair and maintain the port's equipment instead of the present technical demarcation.

Together with poor management, bad timekeeping and a 10 per cent sick absenteeism rate, those practices result not only in a technically bankrupt port, but in low productivity estimated in the recent unpublished National Port Council study at 10 tons a gang-hour for London compared with 15 in Hamburg, 18 in Grangemouth, 21 in Rotterdam, and 29 in Antwerp.

Dockland is clearly still responding to yesterday's exploitation, when shipping lines hired and fired, by the half-day, and private stevedores, known as "brass-platers", did little but sell other people's labour. But the world has changed,

Further docks decline, page 16

Defendant 'had never heard of Lord Ryder'

Mrs Fatma Barton, aged 32, the wife of Graham Barton, aged 34, a former British Leyland executive charged in connexion with the "Ryder letter" forgery case, denied at the Central Criminal Court yesterday that she tried to obtain pages of a document containing the signature of Lord Ryder of Eaton Hastings.

Mrs Barton, cross-examined by Mr Henry Pownall, for the prosecution, denied going to Companies House in London to get pages of the Reed International annual report bearing the signature. She said she had never even heard of Lord Ryder at that time.

She said she went to Companies House for the last two pages of the report being asked to do so by her husband.

Mrs and Mrs Barton, of Lincroft Gardens, Hounslow, London, have denied between them a total of five charges. They relate to the alleged forging of copies of two letters to British Leyland, one purporting to be from Lord Ryder and the other from the Bank of England, and using the forgeries dishonestly to obtain £15,000 from the Daily Mail. Mrs Barton is not charged in relation to the forgery of the Bank of England letter.

Mr Pownall asked why Mr Barton had used the name of Mr Jefferies and Mrs Barton said she did not ask. She did not think it peculiar. She said she had asked her husband why she had to use another name when she went to Companies House. He had told her it was "nothing".

Mr Pownall said: "Yesterday you did not tell us that at all. You told us you asked why, and he said it was for his work."

Mrs Barton replied: "He said that, too". She denied making up her replies as she went along.

In his final speech Mr Pownall said: "he Crown's case is perfectly simple. It is that both played their part in forging the Ryder letter, Mrs Barton playing a comparatively small role.

"Further, that Barton forged the Bank of England letter, both of them uttered the first letter, and Barton uttered the second, and both obtained the £15,000 by producing those letters knowing that they were false."

It was as clear as a bell, the jury might think, that it was Mr Barton who had, in fact, adulterated the documents. In the Crown's submission, it was "plain old-fashioned forgery".

Counsel said that if Mr Barton had been an honest man he would have told the Daily Mail: "These are retypings, one with a retraced signature."

The trial continues today.

Liberal whip ends pact officially

By Fred Emery

A letter certifying the parliamentary ending of the Liberals' pact wth Labour was sent yesterday by Mr Alan Beith, Liberal Chief Whip, to Mr Michael Foot, Lord President of the Council.

It said: "Now that the programem of legislation agreed between the Government and ourselves has been completed, no further meetings of the joint consulttaive committee will take place." Mr Beith recorded his appreciation of the manner in which the manner of the meetings had beet conducted.

The letter represented a further effort to reverse the impression given by Mr David Steele, the Liberals' leader, two days ago, that the pact had a continuing lease of life. The disclosure that Mr Steel had asked to meet the Prime Minister in early September had puzzled his party, and some others, who thought that the Liberals were now trying to impress the electorate how much they differed from the aspirations of a Labour Party seeking reelection.

The pact has existed on three levels. First, have been the contacts between the Prime Minister and Mr Steel; then there have been the bilateral meetings between ministers and their counterparts in what the Liberals have called the "shadow Administration"; and third has been Mr Foot's joint consultative committee with Mr Beith and officials.

The Liberals yesterday also issued the provisional agenda for their party conmerence at Southport starting on September 11.

TV camera deal

Fairchild Camera and Instrument Corporation of California has entered into an agreement for Marconi Avionics to market Fairchild's solid-state miniature television cameras in Britain and other European countries.

Man dies after fire incident

A man died and a woman was critically ill yesterday after an incident in a block of council flats in Manchester. Neighbours rushed to help the couple when they fled, burning from a flat in Elderburj Drive, Harpurhey, on Wednesday night.

They collapsed in the corridor outside the flats. Neighbours helped to extinguish the flames.

Candidate struck off

Sir Leo Schultz, aged 78, the longest-serving member of Hull City Council, and leader of the controlling Labour group, has been struck off the list of candidates for the next elections by his ward management committee after a party dispute over shares in companies with South African interests.

Return to work

Fifty lock gate operators whose strike has disrupted shipping movements at Hull for three days have voted to resume work, but 300 dock maintenance engineers are still on strike.

Lightning strikes girl

Alison Jones, aged 16, of Moseley Wood Close, Leeds, was taken to Lowestoft Hospital with chest burns after she had been struck by lightning while walking along Lowestoft beach yesterday.

Correction

The government review of sea pollution measures recommended ainst, not for, transfer of responsibility from the Department of Trade to the Ministry of Defence, as stated yesterday.

Flight noise survey

About four thousand homes near Heathrow will receive questionnaires and be visited by Civil Aviation Authority interviewers studying the impact of night flying on sleep for a Department of Trade survey.

WEST EUROPE

Overburdened European judges want more staff and fear work pressure in enlarged EEC

From Michael Hornsby
Brussels, Aug 3

The European Court of Justice, the final authority on questions of EEC law and interpretation of the Rome Treaty, has told the Council of Ministers and the European Commission that it needs more staff to cope with a mounting burden of work.

In a memorandum to Herr Hans-Dietrigh Genscher, the president of the Council of Foreign Ministers, and Mr Roy Jenkins, the President of the European Commission, Herr Hans Kutscher, the courts presiding judge, says that he an dhis eight colleagues can no longer meet the demands made upon them.

Herr Kutscher suggests that the number of judges should be raised from nine to 12 and the number of advocates-general from four to six. He also recommends that in future only important cases should be taken in full court, and that two new chambers should be created for hearing routine suits.

The number of cases brought before the court has steadily risen from 19 in 1957, to 164 in 1977, and 156 in the first six months of this year. Since the beginning of the year, the backlog of pending cases has rinen from 132 to 194.

The number of rulings handed down by the court has also risen sharply from 62 in 1974 to 100 in 1977. In the first six months of this year, the court gave 60 verdicts.

The memorandum makes the point that the pressures on the court will become even more intense with the gradual enlargement of the Community over the next few years as first Greece and then Spain and Portugal join.

It may be doubted whether member states will be sympathetic to the court's pleas for more staff. The court is the one institution with even more legal power than the Council of Ministers, and some member states may have no particular wish to make the court's task any easier.

When a case is brought, the court first conducts hearings in public at which plaintiff and defendant put their arguments. The nine judges, deliberating in secret, then draw up a report setting out the basic facts. This is followed by the summing-up of the advocate-general.

A stranger to English legal procedure, the advocate-general has the task of summarizing the issues and recommending a decision to the court, which is not, however, bound to accept his view. The judges, of whom at least seven must be present, reach their verdict by majority vote.

The most common court actions are those brought by the Commission against member states which refuse to desist from behaviour deemed by Brussels to be contrary to EEC law. But one member state may also take another to court and individual citizens may also take governments or the Commission to court. The court's ruling is final and takes precedence over national law.

Another, and increasingly important function discharged by the Court of Justice is to give guidance, in the form of preliminary rulings, to national courts when these are called on to give judgments in local cases requiring an interpretation of Community law.

President calls on the Pope

From Peter Nichols
Rome, Aug 3

With a year and a day in age, not to speak of a century of divergent tradition between them, President Pertini, who is 81, called today on the Pope, who is 80, at the Pontiff's summer residence. Between them the venerable pair set up a series of records.

No Italian President has been so quick to seek a private meeting with the Pope as this veteran Socialist, who was elected last month. Normally, a private audience follows a new president's state visit to the Vatican, and months can pass before either takes place.

The Vatican made clear in its statement yesterday that a state visit will come, but no date has yet been fixed. No president, at least to public knowledge, until today has been to see a Pope in the semi-informality of the lakeside house which enchants visitors but is said to weigh a little heavily on Pope Paul VI, especially now that he feels a growing impatience with the infirmities of age.

It was in Castelgandolfo's parish church, built by Bernini for Alexander VII that the Pope first shocked the people of the parish by talking of the imminence of his death. And it was here that his mentor, Pope Pius XII died, the first Pope to fall fatally ill at Castelgandolfo.

The Pope is understood to hsve impressed on the President his wish that the draft text for a revised concordat will go speedily through the Italian Parliment.

Amnesty approved

Rome, Aug 3.—A Bill granting an amnesty to people jailed for minor crimes cleared its last parliamentary hurdle when it was passed by the Senate (Upper House) today.

French police stop work to mark inspector's funeral

From Ian Murray
Paris, Aug 3

Plainclothes policemen all over France stopped work this morning for an hour as a mark of respect for Inspector Jacques Capela, who was killed outside the Iraqi Embassy in Paris on Monday.

Their action was more than a sign of mourning. It showed their strong feelings of resentment at the fact that a young policeman could be killed while doing his duy and that nothing could be done legally to punish his murderers.

The stoppages took place while the funeral ceremony for the 30-year-old inspector was taking place in Paris. In big cities like Lyons, Rouen, Marseilles, Lille, Nancy and Metz wreaths for the dead police officer were laid at war memorials. Delegations delivered motions of protest to the prefect against "the exploitation of diplomatic immunity to excuse a crime deliberately committed against a French police officer in the course of his duty".

The funeral ceremonies began with some pomp inside the courtyard of the Paris Prefecture. Under a suitably leaden sky, the guard of honour and the band were drawn up in front of the tricolour-draped coffin of the dead inspector. Behind them a black van covered in flowers was drawn up, a splash of colour in a sombre scene.

The head of the Brigade Criminelle, M Pierre Ottavioli, wearing his tricolour scarf, read out the citation awarded posthumously to M Capela. The drums rolled and the band played the "Marseillaise" in slow time.

M Christian Bonnet, the Minister of the Interior, gave a short address. It was always sad when a young and brilliant colleague died, he said, but the circumstances of this death added a feeling of profound indignation to the sadness. This was shared by all those who every day went about their perilous business of ensuring security.

M Bonnet praised once again the restraint of the police in the face of losing one of their best officers, and said he was conscious of the deeply felt resentment of the force that nothing could be done to punish those responsible for his death. His oratory was hardly as eloquent as the sobs of the dead man's fiancée.

The courtège set off across the Seine and down the quais on the Left Bank towards the Invalides. The hearse was followed by the members of M Capela's own Hildebrand Group, eight black-tied detectives walking slowly as in a trance behind the coffin of their young chief. One of them carried on a cushion the gold medal for acts of courage and devotion and the medal of honour of the French police.

However, the strength of the police feeling was shown not by the small group of close associates but by the silent mass of plainclothes police who followed after. They walked 30 abreast down the quais behind a wreath later to be placed symbolically outside the Iraqi Embassy. By conservative police estimates, there were over 3,000 of them, yet they walked silently almost as one.

Among them were representatives of the Belgian police, with whom the dead inspector had once worked, and the whole occasion was obviously more than a sad farewell to one French policeman. It was an attempt to show outrage that a good man could die unavenged siply because he was doing his duty.

The corte dispersed before the Invalides. The coffin was transferred to a closed hearse and a huge bunch of red roses from the President was laid on top before it was driven away.

'Dany the Red' splits Hesse ecologists

From Patricia Clough
Bonn, Aug 3

The political antics of Herr Daniel Cohn-Bendit, the former leader of Paris student militants, today broke an alliance between ecological groups in Hesse, and with it perhaps their hopes of success in the important Hesse election.

"Dany the Red" burst unexpectedly on to the West German political scene 10 days ago after several years of obscurity as a candidate for the Hesse ecological "green lists". His flaming hair now shoulder-length and curly, Herr Cohn-Bendit works in a Marxist bookshop in Frankfurt and heads a small Sponti (Spontaneous left-wing) group of his own. He is barred from returning to France.

The green lists were set up with great difficulty on July 23 between a "pure" ecological group, the GLU, and a more left-wing group, the GLW, which mixes ecology with an assortment of left-wing causes.

No sooner had he been nominated as a candidate than Herr Cohn-Bendit proceeded to scandalize many of his new associates. Press reports had him demanding, if elected, the post of Hesse Minister of the Interior, advocating the legalization of marijuana and hashish, the throwing open of prisons, and the abolition of the counter-intelligence service.

Alarmed that he was frightening away potential voters, the GLU gave the GLW a week to get rid of him. The others postponed the decision until a members' assembly to be held on Wednesday week, at which, they said, Herr Cohn-Bendit was willing to step down if necessary.

But that was not soon enough for the others, and today they pulled out of the alliance. Behind the move was fear that his activities and the leftist tendencies of their allies might drive voters to a third ecological group, the "Green Action Future".

This group was founded as a political party by Herr Herbert Gruhl, a deputy who left the Christian Democratic Party to champion the ecologists' cause. The others accused it of highly conservative, if not fascist leanings, and resent what they consider Herr Gruhl's attempts to take over the ecological movement.

The splintering of the ecologists may destroy their chances in the Hesse election in October, after their sensational start earlier this year. Campaigning for the first time in Lower Saxony and Harburg in June, the ecologists won between 3 per cent and 4 per cent of the vote and largely contributed to the defeat of the Free Democratic Party in both Länder.

If this happened again in Hesse it could mean the end of the Social Democrat-Free Democrat coalition there and bring the Christian Democrats to power. This in turn would give the Christian Democrats a two-thirds majority in the Bundesrat, the federal Upper House, and make it extremely difficult, if not impossible for Herr Helmut Schmidt's Government to legislate.

Signor Berlinguer takes the offensive again

From Peter Nichols
Rome, Aug 3

Signor Enrico Berlinguer, the Italian Communist Party leader, has shaken off the atmosphere of desultory summer political manoeuvres with a spirited attack on the Socialists, a threat to abandon the Government if it fails to apply its programme properly, and a refreshingly angry retort to inquirers wanting to know whether Italian communism is still Leninist.

It is months since he has spoken with this cutting edge. He accuses the Socialists of threatening the unity of the left. They were not seeking a general reinforcement of the left, he said, but hoped to take votes away from the Communists.

Questions about the party's Leninism were not just presumptuous but a provocation, he said. They were attempts to make the party outlaw itself from democratic life by its answers.

Signor Berlinguer's return to genuine political conflict is made in a long interview in the left-wing but non-communist Rome newspaper, La Repubblica.

On Leninism, Signor Berlinguer said that if the term was taken to mean "a sort of manual of statically-conceived doctrinal rules," to be applied uncritically in all circumstances then "we are not Leninists in this way, even if I know that today many people would like us to be or consider us to be so in this conformist way."

He confirmed that the next Italian Communist congress would reword the phrase in the party's statute which at present binds the militant to the study and application of the teachings of Marxism-Leninism.

He goes on to confess that he regards as still "living and valid" Lenin's teaching of a true revolutionary theory going beyond reformist evolution.

"The lesson is valid of the Lenin who broke the international dominance and unity of the capitalist, imperialist and colonialist system, of the Lenin fighting in every corner of Europe for peace and against war", he said.

But there was also the lesson of the Lenin who "did not exclude the possibility of a pacific development of the socialist revolution and the continuation of a plurality of parties".

Signor Berlinguer added: "We Italian Communists have our own characteristics, our theoretical elaboration, our history. From the time we were born, in our experience, in our analysis and research, in our battles, Lenin has his place, a prominent one indeed, but not at all exclusive and not at all dogmatic.

"One does not repudiate history, neither one's own nor that of others. One tries to understand it, go beyond it."

He admitted that one of the effects of Leninism on the party was an "error of extremism" into which the party had fallen, as most other European communist parties had done. He said the error was in believing that the idea that "the method of taking power through insurrection adopted by the proletariat of the Tsars" could be transferred to the West.

About 20 years were needed completely to overcome this mistake. ". . . Not the soviet but the parliament was the choice that the Italian working class had to make and, thanks to the Italian Communist Party, it has thoroughly done so".

On the Communist Party's role of giving parliamentary support to the Government, he said that self-criticism was necessary "because for some time we have allowed our feelings of loyalty to the majority obscure our criticism of he Government and of the Christian Democrats . . .".

The fuure would be less easy: "We are in the (governing) majority because of our sense of responsibilitytowards the country and because we are aware that our contribution is important, but we shall not remain if this majority proves not to be up to the tasks and duties for which it was formed."

Signor Berlinguer has left the Government in no doubt that he will be a more demanding ally when autumn comes.

Madrid curb on work permits for foreigners

From Harry Debelius
Madrid, Aug 3

The Spanish Government acknowledged today hat it is enforcing the law on work permits for foreigners more strictly but denied that there was any discriminaion against citizens of Britain or any other country.

A sarement from the Labour Ministry was promped by a request from The Times for information following receipt of a number of letters to the editor from people complaining abour difficulties in obtaining permits to work in Spain.

A Ministry spokesman said: "It is obvious, in the face of the significant deterioration in the level of employment of Spaniards in activities in which foreigners seek to be engaged, that the granting of work permits is a more difficul matter."

He said he authoriies were merely enforcing the law more strictly than in the past. There were no new regulations. A decree published in 1968 on the subject was still in force.

"Allegations of a restrictive or even discriminatory policy are totally false and unfounded", the spokesman said. "On the contrary, the broad provisions of the currently valid regulations give access to work to citizens of some other countries which do not extend reciprocal treatment to our compatriots."

The pressure for strict enforcement originated with Spanish trade unions. It was felt especially in coastal areas, notably the Costa Brava and the Costa del Sol, whee a number of foreigners had to leave jobs because they had failed to comply with the law or simply because their permits were not renewed.

A spokesman for the General Workers Union (UGT) admitted to me that his union had asked the civil governor of Gerona to review the work status of foreigners employed on the Costa Brava. He claimed that some foreigners were working for less than union wages, just for the chance to spend a season in a holiday resort, thus taking potential jobs away from Spaniards.

According to the Labour Ministry, a total of 17,217 work permits were granted or enewed in Spain during the first quarter of 1978. Since this is more than a quarter of the total of 64,736 permits granted or renewed in the whole of 1977, it suggests that at least as many foreigners are working in Spain this year, in spite of the stricter enforcement of the law.

Iraqi anger at Beirut attack on envoy's car

Continued from page 1

now calling for a closer study of the way men are deployed round sensitive targets, such as the Arab League.

A union spokesman was quick to point out that there could be no reproach levelled at the two policemen assigned to guard the building, but at the same time the lives of French officers had been put in danger once again.

A delegation of officers was received by M Philippe-Mestre, head of the Prime Minister's office, for an hour this afternoon.

Beirut: Iraq today accused Palestinian "rightists" of trying to assassinate its ambassador in the Lebanon by firing on his car last night, but the ambassador, Mr Qassem al-Samawi, was not in the vehicle at the time. The Iraq news agency said the car not was damaged and the driver and the ambassador's bodyguard escaped unhurt.

The newspaper of Iraq's ruling Baath Party, Al Thawra, in an attack on Mr Arafat, th PLO chairman, said today: "Let it be known to the capitulationist leadership in the PLO that acts of piracy against Iraq's embassies abroad will not go unpunished."—Reuter.

Islamabad: Abdul Ilah Mohammed Saleh, one of two gunmen who attacked an Iraqi official as he was entering Iraq's consulate-general at Karachi yesterday, is said to have confessed to police that he had been assigned to kill the Iraqi Consul General, Amer Naji Zain al-Din, by Al Fatah, the Palestinian guerrilla movement, in Beirut.

OVERSEAS

A Tel Aviv police bomb squad searches for parts of nail bomb which exploded in an open-air market.

Mr Sadat sets out to boost his popularity

From Christopher Walker
Cairo, Aug 3

The recent hardening of President Sadat's attitude towards further direct peace negotiations with the Israelis has been accompanied by efforts to boost the popularity of his administration inside Egypt and continuing measures against his most vociferous domestic critics.

This week, for the fourth time since it first appeared in February, the irreverent left-wing weekly publication Al Ahali (which has a readership of about 400,000) was banned and all copies seized under a court order.

The issue, which would have been Al Ahali's twenty-third, contained a number of views that a Cairo court said were challenging Arab and Islamic feelings. They included a two-page article under the headlines: "What will the future of Sadat's peace initiative be after Israel has decided that security means land?". The court ruled that this cast doubt on the soundness of the President's attitude.

Investigations are going on into the work of five leading Egyptian journalists and writers who are alleged to have defamed the country abroad. The best known is Mr Muhammad Heikal, the former editor of the Cairo newspaper Al Ahram. On Tuesday he faced another of a series of appearances before the socialist prosecutor that have been continuing intermittently for more than a month. While the investigations go on, all five men are barred from leaving the country.

The semi-official Egyptian press has been giving front-page prominence in recent days to Mr Sadat's plans to form his own political party.

It was disclosed today that the launching of the party next month would be accompanied by a series of mass rallies in every governate of Egypt. Temporary constituent comm

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Many killed in Palestinia refugee camp clashes

Beirut, Aug 3.—Dozens of people were today reported dead or wounded in the Beddaoui Palestinian refugee camp in northern Lebanon after armed clashes between rival Palestinian groups during the past 48 hours.

Moderate members of the Palestinian guerrilla organization, Al Fatah, clashed with members of the Palestine Liberation Front.

According to the PLF, 35 people died in the fighting. The independent newspaper L'Orient le Jour reported 50 people wounded.

Al Fatah has closed the PLF offices in Beddaoui.

Sources said that Lebanese left-wingers were trying to mediate between the two Palestinian sides. A meeting yesterday, however, did not bring about any tangible results.

Palestinian leaders last night formed a committee made up of representatives from the various Palestinian groups to put an end to the armed clashes in the Beddaoui refugee camp. The decision was taken at an inter-Palestinian meeting chaired by Mr Yassir Arafat. Mr Arafat is said to have gone straight to the Beddaoui camp from the World Youth Festival in Cuba. Agence France-Presse.

Michael Knipe writes from Jerusalem: With the Middle East peace negotiations

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Iicholas Ashford
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two men—Lieutenant Goldstein and Mr M. both Americans—are to reparatory arrangements Martti Ahtisaari, the Nations special represen- nd a team of 50 United specialists who are to a plan for implement- e Western settlement for Namibia.

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Riedel is the chief of and centres in the ative section of the Nations field operation and Lieutenant Gold- a member of the United security and safety Mr. Riedel has the ing task of finding nodation for more than nited Nations officials in a city wich has a total of only 805 hotel beds.

Mr Ahtisaari's party, which is expected to include Major-General Hannes Philippe, the Austrian former commander of the United Nations force on the Golan Heights between Israel and Syria, will arrive on Sunday. It is not yet known how long Mr Ahtisaari will stay in Namibia, but it is thought likely he will have completed his preliminary report by the end of the month.

His recommendations will be the subject of another meeting of the Security Council before Dr Kurt Waldheim, the Secretary-General, can launch the main United Nations operation in the territory leading up to elections and independence. Mr Ahtisaari's recommendations will also be scrutinized by the South African Government before it gives the final go-ahead for the scheme.

Although Mr Ahtisaari can expect a cordial welcome from Mr Justice M. T. Steyn, the South African-appointed Administrator-General, the pro-Government Afrikaans press in South Africa is showing considerable scepticism about what he will be able to achieve.

pan court awards £8.7m victims of harmful drug

eter Hazelhurst
Aug 3

ing the way for a series or law suits in Japan, District Court today the Government and drug manufacturers to 7m in compensation to aintiffs who claim their and faculties have been d by the harmful side of Quinoform, a pallia- stomach ailments.

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victims allege that the fects of Quinoform—an counter drug for ailments—has, in some cases, destroyed their eyesight and is responsible for other harmful diseases, including neuralgia and kidney and liver troubles.

Some victims, who consumed the drug during Japan's early postwar years, claim they lost their ability to walk. Doctors later determined that many patients with these symptoms were suffering from subacute-myelo-optico neuropathy (SMON).

Japan's Department of Health and Welfare has been cited as a defendant because the Government failed to ban the drug in spite of three decades of research which indicated that Quinoform, and related drugs sold under other trade names, were dangerous.

The three companies are expected to lodge an appeal against the verdict.

Soviet court fines US reporters in slander case

From Michael Binyon
Moscow, Aug 3

A Moscow court fined two American journalists today because their newspapers failed to publish retractions of articles they wrote which the court had earlier decided were slanderous. The court set a new deadline in another five days.

Mr Craig Whitney of *The New York Times* and Mr Harold Piper of *The Baltimore Sun* were each fined 50 roubles (£37). Mr Whitney who is back in Moscow after a holiday in the United States did not attend the hearing, but said he would pay the fine "under protest".

The judge, Mr Lev Almazov, said unless the correspondents paid the fines and court costs of more than 1,444 roubles they risked having their property confiscated. The two were sued last month for slander by the Soviet state committee for television and radio because they reported that relatives of a Georgian dissident had said his televised confession was faked.

MrWhitney said he was paying the costs and the fine "because it would be futile to engage in court battles about it, which I would not be permitted to win".

He said he was making the payment only in hopes of disposing of the case and discouraging a repetition of similar tactics against other correspondents in the future.

The court, which was open to Western correspondents, gave the two newspapers another five days to publish a retraction or face a further fine of 50 roubles. Both *The New York Times* and *The Baltimore Sun* have announced that they will not publish retractions.

The Moscow court can set new deadlines and impose further fines up to a total of 300 roubles. After that the next step depends on a political decision by the Soviet authorities. At the slander hearing the prosecutor urged the Foreign Ministry to cancel the journalists' accreditation which is tantamount to expelling them. However, the judge made no such recommendation.

Mr Whitne said today that he had received no notification from the court

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An unsmiling Karpov refuses to shake hands with Korchnoi because of the challenger's "abuses and insults"

Korchnoi loses by forgetting move he advises

From Harry Golombek
Baguio, Philippines, Aug 3

For the first time in the match, Karpov refused to shake hands with Korchnoi today at the start of the eighth game which ended in Korchnoi resigning faced by inevitable mate.

In explanation, Mr Alexander Roshal, of the Soviet delegation, said that for some years Korchnoi had been making slanderous attacks on the world champion and on other grandmasters but Karpov had still been prepared to shake hands with him.

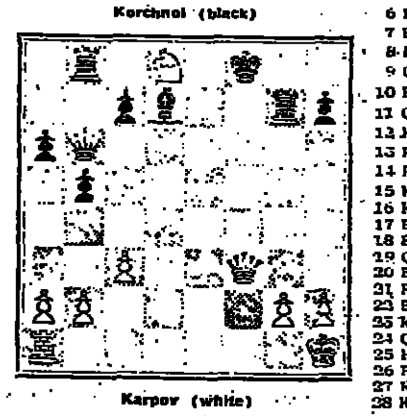
However, since Korchnoi, far from reciprocating this gentlemanly behaviour, was increasing his unsporting attacks, Karpov from now on was not going to shake hands.

On his tenth move, Korchnoi chose a risky line involving a distinct weakening of his king's position. This was remarkable because Korchnoi's contribution to Volume C of the *Encyclopedia of Chess Openings* published in 1974 contains a section on this very variation in which he recommends 10...P-Q5 as being good for black, totally ignoring the move he played today.

Korchnoi proceeded to make it worse by playing riskily and unsoundly, meat and dring for Karpov who loves to exploit unsound play.

According to Herr Lothar Schmid, chief arbiter, when Korchnoi resigned he refused to sign Karpov's scoresheet continuing the petty tit for tat.

Eighth game, White Karjov, Black Korchnoi, Ruy Lopez, Morphy defence, open variation.



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11 Q-K2	B-Kt2
12 Kt-Q4	KtxP
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Jailed for aiding Berlin escape

Berlin, Aug 3.—Rolf Fehmer, a West German citizen, has been sentenced to six years imprisonment by an East Berlin court, the East German news agency ADN reported today. He was found guilty of having helped East Germans to escape.

Nearly 40 cases have been reported this year of West Germans being jailed for the same offence.

Signs of Teng ambitions growing

From David Bonavia
Hongkong, Aug 3

Signs that Vice-Chairman Teng Hsiao-ping may be becoming restive at being number two in the Chinese leadership have surfaced lately in the official press.

A series of articles have emphasized Mr Teng's stated view that too much use of empty slogans is being made in Chinese politics, and that especially in the armed forces more attention should be given to practical results.

The official press has taken the unusual step of reporting Peking wall posters said to criticize the Peking municipality's party committee for extreme leftist activities in 1976 when Mr Teng was temporarily removed from power.

Mr Teng has been eulogized in the Army newspaper *Liberation Army Daily*, which has reiterated the points he made in a speech more than two months ago at a conference on political work in the armed forces.

His speech was noted at the time as differing considerably from that delivered by Chairman Hua Kuo-feng, with Mr Teng condemning empty talk while Mr Hua emphasized the need for political indoctrination.

The military newspaper has commended Mr Teng for his "profound explanation driving home the truth". Such laudatory phrases have ritually been reserved for Chairman Hua and for Chairman Mao Tse-tung since Mao's death in 1976.

It also said: "As Vice-Chairman, Teng Hsiao-ping pointed out, some of our comrades talk about Mao Tse-tung thought every day, but they forget, discard or even oppose the fundamental viewpoint and method of Mao Tse-tung thought."

People in China will inevitably wonder who is important enough to have attracted Mr Teng's criticism in this way.

Another sign that he feels his views are meeting opposition is a long article published recently, denouncing a party history which Mao's former entourage wanted to have published, and which allegedly ignored the important contribution made by Mr Teng and other veteran leaders to the revolutionary struggle.

Congress vote to cut off $90m foreign aid to Syria

From David Cross
Washington, Aug 3

During a long and at times emotional debate on American foreign aid policy, the House of Representatives has voted to cut off funds for Syria as a protest for the killing of Christian civilians by Syrian troops in Lebanon.

It also decided to suspend arms shipments to Chile but later under pressure from the Administration reversed that decision.

The first vote on Chile was designed to put pressure on the Chilean Government to extradite three members of the Chilean Intelligence Agency to Washington to stand trial on charges of murdering Señor Orlando Letelier, a former Chilean ambassador to the United States.

The proposal to cut off $90m (£49m) worth of economic aid to Syria, which was adopted last night by 280 to 103 votes, was tabled by Mr Edward Derwinski, a Republican member of the House.

He said he objected to using American money for purely political purposes when the Syrians had "deliberately tied themselves to the Soviet military apron strings".

Opponents of the proposal argued, however, that the suspension of aid could drive the Syrians further towards the Soviet camp and upset the delicate balance of power in the Middle East.

This is the Administration's view, too, and the State Department will now be working intensively behind the scenes to try to ensure that the proposal does not appear in the final version of next year's Foreign Aid Bill when it emerges from a series of negotiations between the House and the Senate for final approval by President Carter.

The debate over arms shipments to Chile was considerably more confused. Mr Thomas Harkin, a Democrat from Iowa who is an outspoken human rights activist, took nearly everyone by surprise when he advocated a cut of all arms supplies to Chile until its government agreed to extradite the three secret service agents to stand trial in the United States.

Some passionate words about Chilean "death squads" convinced enough Members present at the time of the vote to approve such a move.

But when the news of the vote reached the Justice Department, which is now in the process of going through the extradition process, it objected strongly—principally on the ground that the Chilean authorities had not yet had a chance to consider the extradition request.

The Justice Department's rationale was finally accepted by the House when it voted 243 to 166 to overthrow the earlier proposal.

Russian ILO man dismissed

From Our Correspondent
Geneva, Aug 3

The International Labour Organization (ILO) said today it had dismissed a senior Soviet staff member on Tuesday at the request of th eSwiss authorities.

The official, Mr Gregori Miagkov, aged 51, reported to have left Zurich yesterday on a flight to Moscow.

He was a railways expert in the ILO's vocational training branch, and had been in Geneva since April, 1971. Before that he was with the ILO in Cairo for three years.

An ILO spokesman said: "Mr Miagkov did not submit a letter of resignation; his engagement was terminate dfrom the ILO side."

He pointed out that under a long standing agreement between the ILO and the Swiss Government, the latter may request the departure of anybody it regards as *persona non grata*.

Some reports here cite diplomatic sources as suspecting Mr Miagkov to have been a leading KGB agent.

Early in June another Russian, Mr Vladimir Bucreev, resigned and abruptly left his ILO post, and went back to Moscow.

British advise Jordan and Iran on schools

By Robert Parker

A group of English public schoolmasters has just returned from a trip to Iran and Jordan to give advice on the setting up of boarding schools modelled on the British system.

Mr Eric Anderson, headmaster of Shrewsbury School, said yesterday that both countries felt the English system was preferable to the American in training manpower with qualities of character, leadership and willingness to take responsibility. The advice given was that an all-round education should be promoted, and that although the classroom and academic achievement were both important, there was more to education than just that.

Carter's handling of America's affairs draws the satirists' barbs

esident who is becoming smaller than life

Villiam Safire
ancisco, Aug 3

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Normally, laughter at a president is a healthy sign of democratic irreverence. To err is Truman, wisecracked Martha Taft; this would never have happened if Eisenhower were alive, they said when Eisenhower was alive; Caroline is a nice kid, but they should not let her plan any more Cuban invasions was a gibe directed at Kennedy. Johnson and Nixon offered great material to satirists, and comedian Chevy Chase stumbled to fame with Gerry Ford.

Until recently, this was the sort of cutting-down-to-size joking directed at Mr Carter, in which this writer has participated with savage glee. The most popular platter in the political delicatessen is cruel cuts. For example, since the episode involving drug adviser Peter Bourne, it has become impossible to attribute any serious views to a high government official.

But Jimmy Carter is becoming smaller than life. The laughter once rooted in traditional defiance of authority seems now to be based on pervasive contempt. A tremor of nervousness can be detected in the customary scoffing, as if the nation is laughing bitterly at itself for marrying a winsome stranger who turns out to be a ne'er-do-well.

Such laughter feeds on itself, as at the lakeside. The derision-distorted image of the President takes on the reality of most people's perception. We are then led by a cartoon—the character becomes the caricature.

In previous presidencies, such attacks have stimulated a defence. But there seem to be no Carter diehards, no core of support that will support him through a slump. The *Detroit Free Press* headlined a letter from a reader with praise so faint as to be damning: "President Carter is doing the best he can." That sums up Mr Carter's most unsupportive support.

The momentum of derision, impeded by the braking effect of a diehard chorus is leading to the crumbling of a presidency. Mr Carter is neither being broken nor hounded out —he is being dissolved in our contemptuous laughter, made more error-prone than ever because he has gained a reputation for incompetence.

This is dangerous, because such weakness in a president can be exploited by an expansionist superpower or a runaway Congress. He is likely to overreact arrogantly to provocation in order to assert his power.

Before this snowball snowballs, it may be helpful to point out when Mr Carter is doing something right. (Not easy, since he seems bent on concealing his right-minded decisions.)

For example, he has decided against a massive health programme sponsored by Senator Kennedy and the AFL-CIO trade union organization, since taxpayers will not stand for the multibillion-dollar cost. Good for Mr Carter. Unfortunately—worried about campaign promises—he tries to conceal his decision by re-promising the programme for his second term, thereby earning the mocking laughter of both advocates and opponents.

Perhaps, in time Mr Carter will even be able to turn his worst errors into forward fumbles.—New York Times News Service.

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wrence Pintak
Aug 3

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While there have been no scientific samplings, dissatisfaction among the electorate seems to be increasing while prices do likewise and the availability of goods drops as rapidly. Even so, political observers here do not give Mr Kapwepwe or the colourful Mr Nkumbula much chance of winning.

Local newspaper leading articles in the past few months have repeatedly reaffirmed the right of all Zambians to criticize or oppose the President, but at the same time have attacked those politicians holding "dark corner meetings to plot against the party and government".

At the same time, the tempo of top level calls for the appointment of Dr Kaunda as "life President" has noticeably increased, despite the Zambian leader's protests that he would not accept such a post. Mr Kapwepwe, who spent the 1972 election in prison while Dr Kaunda ran unopposed, regards such a concept as "treasonable".

The entry of the two mavericks promises to add life to what was expected to be an otherwise dull, rubber stamp process, it is highly doubtful if the outcome will be affected.

The government-controlled press has given prominence to the announcements of the two candidacies, but conspicuously omitted the more biting criticisms of Dr Kaunda contained in Mr Kapwepwe's statement.

Observers are also curious about the effect of President Kaunda's statement earlier in the year that he would not allow campaigning in this year's elections. Campaigning, he said, would provide a chance for "rebel Rhodesians" to disrupt the voting.

Turks repeat warning to Council of Europe

From Sinan Fisek
Ankara, Aug 3

Just a month before the Council of Europe decides whether to take up the Greek Cypriot complaint to the Human Rights Commission over the Turkish military intervention on Cyprus, Herr Georg Kahn-Ackermann, the council's Secretary-General, held talks here today with Mr Bulent Ecevit, the Turkish Prime Minister, and Mr Gunduz Okcun, the Foreign Minister.

Sources close to the council reported that the Turks told Herr Kahn-Ackermann that they would reject all rulings by the commission on the Greek Cypriot complaint. They reiterated that they considered Nicosia's move to be illegal, as the Turkish side was not allowed to make a similar application to the commission about Greek Cypriot violations of human rights on the island.

It was not known how the secretariat and the council would react to the Greek Cypriot request, but the same sources reported that there were some fears that Turkey might take "drastic steps", such as leaving the council, if faced with an unfavourable ruling.

During today's talks, the Turks gave no indication that they might break off relations with the council, but they were firm in stating that they would reject any unfavourable ruling.

Debate on the first Greek Cypriot application was postponed by the council eight months ago, when it said it would reconsider the application in September.

Herr Kahn-Ackermann decided to meet Mr Ecevit and the Foreign Minister, here before returning to Strasbourg at the end of a two-week holiday in Antalya on Turkey's southern coast.

Seoul allows ex-ambassador to testify

Washington, Aug 3.—South Korea has agreed to let its former ambassador to Washington, Mr Kim Dong Jo, give evidence about his role in alleged corruption in Congress, the House of Representatives ethics committee announced today.

South Korea, which had been refusing to allow his questioning on the grounds of diplomatic immunity, has now agreed to let Mr Kim answer written questions.

Mr John Flynt, the committee chairman, told reporters that Mr Kim's information was expected to contribute significantly to present investigations.

Striking doctors chained to beds, MPs told

Delhi, Aug 3.—A storm erupted in the Indian Parliament today over charges that police chained and handcuffed doctors on strike at a medical college at Rohtak, 90 miles from Delhi.

As about 500 doctors and medical students demonstrated outside the building, legislators denounced the reported police action as barbaric and dictatorial.

Nearly 50 people were held in handcuffs for 30 hours after police broke the strike, according to college students. Some who fell ill were chained to hospital beds.—Reuter.

Mr Philip Crane: first into the field.

Early start in race for presidency

From Our Own Correspondent
Washington, Aug 3

Mr Philip Crane, a conservative Republican from Illinois, has become the first official contender for the presidency in 1980.

He told a crowded press conference here yesterday that as Mr Carter had demonstrated during the last presidential campaign, it was "important to break out of the pack early. Lacking name recognition, I have to start early."

Mr Crane, who has the advantage of being photogenic, is 47 and a member of the House of Representatives from the suburbs of Chicago.

He hopes that the recent national trend towards conservatism will help him to outflank Mr Ronald Reagan, the former Governor of California, on the right of the party.

As Mr Reagan will probably have to move towards the centre politically if he is to defeat Mr Ford, he will leave a vacancy on the right-wing of his party, Mr Crane's supporters believe.

Tragedy has struck Republican hopes for winning one of the two Virginia seats in the Senate. Mr Richard Obenshain, the party's nominee for this autumn's mid-term election, was killed in an aircraft crash near his home

In brief

Family in 275ft suicide leap

Salt Lake City, Utah, Aug 3.—A woman whose husband committed suicide yesterday threw her seven children from a tenth floor hotel balcony today and then leaped after them to her death, police said.

Six of the children, aged between six and 16, died in the 275ft fall, but the seventh, a nine-year-old girl, critically injured, was still clinging to life. Police said that she was alive only because she landed on the bodies of her brothers and sisters.

Airline strike

Toronto, Aug 3.—A strike by many of Air Canada's 7,500 ground service workers forced the cancellation of about half the airline's flights in eastern Canada.

Island renamed

Havana, Aug 3.—Cuba's Isle of Pines, said to be the setting for Robert Louis Stevenson's book *Treasure Island* has been renamed the Isle of Youth at a ceremony presided over by President Castro.

Briton released

Brasilia, Aug 3.—Ian Fairley Bruce, of Southborough, Kent, a student, who was arrested for distributing leaflets which condemned the torture of political prisoners, was released tonight after 24 hours in custody.

Bomb kills four

Mar del Plata, Argentina, Aug 3.—A bomb exploded in a terrorist hideout here, killing three men and a woman who were making explosives, police said.

Starfighter crashes

The Hague, Aug 3.—A Belgian Air Force pilot has been reported missing after his Starfighter aircraft crashed into the Ijssel lake, northern Holland. A rubber dinghy, helmet and some wreckage were found.

Mini-missions call for new hardy breed of diplomat

By Roger Berthoud

Pleasure aroused in the Foreign Office by the catchy title of its latest invention, the mini-mission, is tinged with anxiety at the possible offence it may cause to host countries. Although the term received the blessing of this week's White Paper on Britain's overseas representation, Foreign Office officials are already showing a preference for "small" or "very small" missions.

It is emphasized that mini-missions are not just scaled-down embassies, but a fresh concept, and in no way second-class.

The idea is that two or a very few more diplomatic service staff, with three or four locally engaged employees, should nurture British interests in small countries where those interests are limited but real.

A few such missions have existed for some time: for example, Nukualofa, the capital of Tonga, has two British-based staff; and Victoria, in the Seychelles, has one of several five-man missions, its complement having been increased by development aid requirements.

The first two of the new mini-missions are in Libreville, Gabon, and Tegucigalpa, Honduras. The first British Ambassador to Gabon is Mr Christopher MacRae, who is 41 and was recently in Brussels. He has the resourcefulness, enterprise and resilience which the setting up from scratch of a two-man post requires.

Britain's interest in Gabon is mainly a potential commercial one: the country is rich in minerals as well as oil and hardwood, and is also a potential export market for Britain. It is a member of the United Nations Security Council this year and next.

The mission in Tegucigalpa was closed four years ago, which proved a false economy. The new two-man mission is headed by Mr John Weymes, who is 51.

Three existing missions have been scaled down to mini-mission size recently and several more are likely to receive similar pruning. If sufficient resources can be found, between five and 10 new ones may be set up.

The chief danger is that diplomats in such small posts may spend so much time on administration that they may have none left for pushing Britain's case: as one diplomat put it, they could become all tail and no teeth.

15 Albanians executed for pro-China conspiracy

From Dessa Trevisan
Belgrade, Aug 3

Albania executed 15 senior army officers in 1975 for plotting against the regime on behalf of China, according to Albanian sources. They included Begir Balluku, the former Defence Minister, and the chief of staff of Army intelligence.

In a letter published over the weekend the Tirana Government claimed that, in collusion with Albanian traitors, China had tried to push the Balkan state into a military alliance with Yugoslavia and Romania, which would have seen the end of "Albania's independence and sovereignty".

Tirana has said that all the evidence will be published of the plot to subvert Albanian officers. The letter said that Chou En-lai, then the Chinese Prime Minister, told Tirana in 1968—when Albania withdrew from the Warsaw Pact after the Soviet invasion of Czechoslovakia—that it was in no position to defend itself alone, no matter how much military aid it received from China. Mr Chou therefore urged a military alliance with Yugoslavia and Romania.

FOREIGN REPORT

Record of achievement by UN peace force

Bringing security to south Lebanon

The move south by units of a reformed Lebanese Army this week into the area occupied by the United Nations Interim *Force in Lebanon (Unifil)* will be believed by those on the spot when it happens, in terms of adequate numbers and *operational deployment*. In the meantime, an assessment of Unifil's record to date is overdue.

Israeli forces withdrew from southern Lebanon on June 13; Unifil replaced them. Before the withdrawal Unifil was much in the news; following it attention *has been concentrated* on continued violence elsewhere in Lebanon and the sustained political storm blowing through the Israeli Cabinet. Unifil, it seems widely assumed, is now a mere creature of events, lacking power to influence them, let alone the capacity to take initiatives.

The reality is that approximately 6,000 troops from nine United Nations members (Canada, Fiji, France, Iran, Ireland, Nepal, Nigeria, Norway and Senegal) remain on *extremely active service*, effectively denying infiltration by Palestinians of various affiliations and, with an unusual combination of persuasion and coercion, have reduced *the Israeli armed Christian militia* to dispirited banditti. In the process half a million Lebanese have been given, for the first time for many years, security of the kind which enables crops to be harvested, children to attend school, villagers to meet without fear.

More to the point, perhaps, Mr Yasir Arafat, leader of the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) and the Israeli Defence Forces (IDF) have been forced to *revise* intentions and methods: southern Lebanon is no longer Tom Tiddler's ground. Although Mr Camille Chamoun, the right-wing Christian leader, alleged recently that about 1,400 Palestinians (Fatah, Arab Front, Popular Front, Popular Front-General Command, National Movement and Rejection Front) are now in Unifil's area, the latter figure, based on continuous contact and stringent observation, is between 150 and 200.

Tyre, adjoining Unifil's area, is another matter—2,500 Palestinians inured to street fighting is a proposition even the Israelis declined to tackle. But Unifil apprecia*tions are that this number* is steadily reducing as the PLO moves east for its promised operations against Israel from outside Lebanon.

So far as the Christian *militia* is concerned, senior Israeli officers now tacitly admit that its role as an auxiliary was always questionable; Unifil has settled the question. Units send patrols throughout the area allotted to the Christian *militia* by the Israelis and hold about 30 positions and observation posts. The militia's real standing is nil. The Irish battalion situation reports, for example, show that the 38 villages and 60,000 inhabitants in its sector are overwhelmingly Muslim; there are three mixed villages, and only one entirely Christian.

From personal observation it can be stated that Christian militia commanders see themselves increasingly as concerned with their own security and assert some kind of independence only at Marjayoun. But Unifil occupies Beaufort Castle as an observation post—tactically a clear gain, as anyone familiar with the ground must accept.

Unifil does not execute its tasks without loss. The blinded, 20-year-old Nepalese soldier, lying silent in a Haifa hospital bed, a member of his section as silent by his side, victims of anti-personnel mines, is a telling reminder that Unifil was only welcomed by those who suffer in war.

Major-General Emanuel Erskine, Unifil's Ghanaian commander, and a soldier who leads from the front, is not afraid of emphasizing to his troops that peacekeeping operations are dangerous and that people get killed in them. But General Erskine spends more time emphasizing that prevention of infiltration and the exercise of Unifil's authority to move "throughout its area of operations" depends on personal and professional qualities; above all an ability to grasp the situation on the ground.

It is not surprising, therefore, that the regular soldiers and trained reservists under General Erskine's command respond to his leadership. In particular, the French contingent—numerically by far the largest—which was initially sceptical of peacekeeping possibilities, now provides Unifil's cutting edge, together with a welcome élan.

The argument about the most effective type of soldier and unit for peacekeeping operations will not be settled by Unifil's experiences, but it should be said here that the argument is a critical one, and that these experiences demand concentrated attention.

General Erskine is fortunate in the trust reposed in him, by Dr Kurt Waldheim, the United Nations Secretary-General, and his advisers, and their realization that the commander of a relatively large peacekeeping force, operating in an extremely complex and volatile situation, must be given reasonable latitude to use his own judgment. Compared with some United Nations operations, the principle of using force only in self defence has been wisely construed to include "resistance to attempts by forceful means to prevent Unifil from discharging its duties under the mandate of Security Council".

In practice this construction has meant that where infiltration has initially succeeded, *discovery by patrol or reliable* local intelligence has been followed by direct contact and persuasion. If persuasion fails—a rare occurrence—the order "Disperse or I fire" is given. *On one occasion the warning* gained added conviction from the fact that the Unifil company which had been penetrated redeployed a platoon to cover the infiltrators from three points on higher ground.

The point should be stressed: United Nations soldiering is not for amateurs. The *regular soldier, in fact, responds to* the challenge of pitting wits against PLO and Christian militia, by seizing the psychological, not only the tactical, initiatives, and by arguing, to isolated and decreasingly cohesive groups, that funny business by them does not pay.

For those who remain doubtful about Unifil's freedom of movement, it should be reported that its patrols, on foot and at night, have several times been inadvertently fired on by Israeli troops. This problem has now been resolved by liaison between Unifil's headquarters at Naqoura and the Israeli Army's northern headquarters at Nazareth—but not by Unifil restricting its area of operations.

So much for Unifil's record to date, not one of unblemished *success* but of important achievement. A sense of controlling most of the problems is due substantially to General Erskine's concern for *his troops, and his gift of communicating* to them that tasks are mastered from experience, not culled from the book.

Pragmatism necessarily obtains more readily in the field than at Naqoura where, despite genuine cooperation at all levels, the heavy hand of a distant United Nations bureaucracy can be oppressive. To require New York's permission to buy a bulldozer—to prevent headquarters becoming a quagmire in the extremely wet Lebanese winter—strikes one as only slightly less absurd than the initial budgetary allocation, whereby more was provided for office furniture than for airfield landing equipment. Fortunately, the discrepancy was noted in time.

The next stage, therefore, lies with President Assad of Syria, de facto ruler of northern and central Lebanon, who may now entertain ambitions to the south, and with an Israeli Government which has so far only grudgingly acknowledged Unifil's existence. The stage will be set in the General Assembly, in late September, when the renewal of Unifil's mandate will be debated. If the debate descends to mutual recrimination, renewal of the mandate will be endangered. But if debate is based on some understanding of what peacekeeping means in reality, and that at present, there is no effective substitute for Unifil, renewal is likely.

There is one clear gleam of hope: the United States, Britain, and France, whose efforts established Unifil, are determined to make a reality of international peacekeeping. This is an unprecedented development, and a very welcome one.

Anthony Verrier

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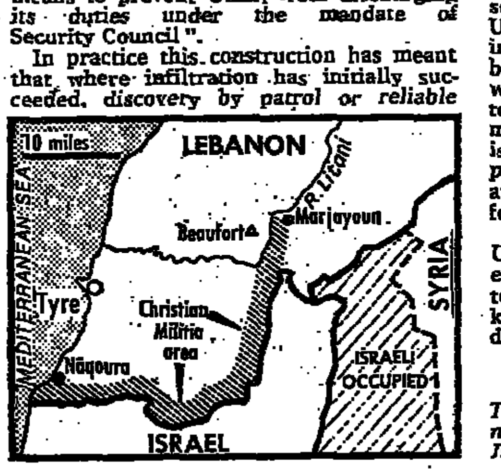

400,000 vote with their feet against rigid regime

Uruguay in grip of soldiers without ideas

As Peru, Brazil, Bolivia and Ecuador make important steps towards democracy and the eventual handing back of power to civilians, the military running Uruguay remain as far from ever from softening their ultra-hard line.

In all the other Latin American countries where the military assumed power, *at least* some independent grouping remained—if only the *church—to temper the natural* professional urge of the armed forces to annihilate whatever enemy they had identified. This did not occur in Uruguay, where the disestablished church is less influential than in almost any other Latin American country.

Uruguay remains the country with one of the highest proportions of political prisoners in the world. One in every 1,000 Uruguayans or so remains in jail, in all about 2,600. Until recently, at least 6,000, of a population of 2.8 *million, were behind bars.* Within the armed forces thorough purges have been carried out, including the dis*missal of half the naval* officers and several generals. Those remaining have been forced into increasingly dogmatic rigidity.

Most Latin American military regimes ban a certain category of politician from playing a part in the administration of whatever façade of democracy is retained. But Uruguay has effectively purged them all. Every member of, and all the candidates for, the last two administrations, more than 1,000 *people,* have been banned from political life for 15 years.

There are now no objective reasons for the Army to remain in power, or persist in their hard line: there has not been a terrorist incident of significance for the past six years. After destroying the Tupamaros (urban guerrillas), the Army went on to dismantle what had once been one of the strongest trade union organiza*tions in Latin America. The* greater part of the intellectual community, based on Montevideo University, has been forcibly dispersed, and many skilled workers have also departed, along with the intelligentsia to neighbouring Brazil, Argentina, or even Australia. About 400,000 Uruguayans, the cream of the country, have left in the past few years.

So with nobody to oppose them, the military are now caught in a trap of their own making, having nobody to hand back power to. This could well condemn the country to becoming another Paraguay, virtually erased from the world political map for half a century.

A year or so ago, it was announced that there would be a referendum on a new consti*tution in 1981. People would* also be able to vote for the single candidate to be nominated jointly by the rumps of the two purged parties, the Colorados and the Blancos. These are the two traditional political groupings, with the Colorados basically representing the commercial interests of Montevideo, where half of the Uruguayans live, while the Blancos are basically the cattlemen's party. Together they have traditionally received 70 per *cent of the* vote. Each could put up a candidate, the Government announcement said, although *the parties of the left,* which gained 20 per cent of the poll at the last election, would never be allowed to participate again.

But is is becoming increasingly clear that if democratic *ideals run fairly deep in Uru*guay, political realities run even deeper, and virtually nobody with any credibility is prepared to collaborate with this scheme. So far only one candidate has emerged for 1981, and he is a former army commander.

The military, who now allocate themselves some 50 per cent of the national budget, are conducting polls about their popularity. If they manage to elucidate honest answers from a cowed population, they will have sufficient evidence to see that what President Carter, Amnesty International, and even the conservative Organization of American States, (which took the unprecedented step of voting against holding its annual meeting in Montevideo) have said about Uruguay's policies is also what most Uruguayans feel.

The main reason why at least 12 per cent of Uruguayans have voted with their feet in the past few years is that the economy has totally *stagnated. The monetarists,* who were given full rein four years ago to set the country on a new course, point to a virtual quadrupling of exports of non-traditional goods, such as leather ware, textiles, fruit and fish. There has also been an inflow of capital, mainly hot money looking for a safe, high-interest haven. They do not add, however, that the country's overall industrial production has not risen at all, while the purchasing power of the average Uruguayan has dropped by 20 per cent since 1974, while unemployment, despite the exodus has risen to 12 per cent.

Even the agricultural sector has stagnated, and Uruguay, with no oil or minerals, is really only credible as a food producing country.

The country's external debt *has risen to more than $1,300m* (£685m)—46 per cent of annual export revenue, and well into the international bankers "danger belt". Imports of many goods, previously over-protected in a country with a tiny internal market, have been freed. Spending on cars and other luxury goods have used a large proportion of the 50 per cent the armed forces have allocated themselves.

Uruguay's main problem remains the land. Nobody has yet managed to sustain a coherent policy for increasing *and diversifying production* on this, one of the most fertile patches of the globe. Agronomists say it could produce five times what it does with very little investment.

To fuel the export drive conceived by the monetarists as Uruguay's solution, wealth has been sucked from the countryside into Montevideo. But *exports have to be* subsidized by 25 to 30 per cent to compete abroad, so markets are already closing in an increasingly protected world.

The most depressing aspect of Uruguay now is the total lack of new ideas from any quarter. The Army lacks a strong man to take it on any consistent course. Hopes placed *in the new Army* commander-in-chief, General Gregorio Alvarez, who took power in February, have come to nothing; he *has* apparently been stalemated by his colleagues. The Army now fears a mass reaction if they should step down from power, so they are frozen in inactivity. But events on a thawing continent cannot leave the country isolated for much longr, although Uruguay may be the last to emerge from its immobility.

Patrick Knight

Food Report

Time to act on labels that confuse

Just over two years ago the Food Standards Committee, which advises ministers about the need to change food laws, issued a report about soft drinks. It expressed dislike for the common practice by food companies of using the phrase "made with whole oranges" and "whole orange drink" on *their bottles.*

The committee felt that with the bottled concentrated drinks that were very remote from pure fruit juice, such descriptions should be banned.

Two years later drinks bear*ing those phrases can be found* in any supermarket. Cartons of yogurt described as "natural yogurt" can also be found everywhere, even though the committee said three years ago that the expression should be banned.

It is used to distinguish plain yogurt from that with added fruit or nuts. The committee felt the word "natural" implied, without justification, that plain yogurt was somehow more natural than other types.

The difficulty for the committee is that while it may propose, Mr John Silkin, Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, who appointed its members, has the power to dispose. But he appears to have put consideration of their proposals *at the bottom of his list of* priorities.

The result is that both the national diet and the nature of food products change faster than the laws that govern them.

It is important from the point *of view of public faith in the* protection given by food laws that labels should mean what they say. The growth of food technology means that groceries are becoming less easy to understand.

One of the labels for orange drink which includes the phrase "made with whole oranges" lists the following ingredients: "*sugar (sucrose, glucose syrup),* comminuted orange, fruit acids, stabiliser, preservative, saccharin, flavouring, colour".

That and many other labels are the result of a compromise between companies and governments. The companies say that if they had to state exactly what stabilisers, preservatives and so on they were using, each label would be covered by a sprawl *of small print which hardly* anybody would understand.

The law therefore allows them to state the type of substance they use, in terms themselves covered by the law. The range of varieties in each type *is then catalogued in separate* rules. The Food Standards Committee is aware of the unsatisfactory nature of the compromise.

It said in a report issued just before last Christmas: "We have for some time believed that it is no longer a defensible argument to propose to a consumer, who may be a busy housewife, that to *discover* the ingredients of, say, bread or ice-cream, she should visit the public library or buy the appropriate food standards regulations from HM Stationery Office."

Hugh Clayton

SPORT

Cricket

Match to Somerset and award to Dredge on day of the underdog

By John Woodcock
Cricket Correspondent

CANTERBURY: Somerset beat Kent by five wickets.

If Somerset's victory over Kent in yesterday's quarter-final of the Gillette Cup sounds comfortable enough, it hardly was. It came at the *end of a long, hard struggle,* played on a pitch which gave all the bowlers some degree of help.

A large, mostly Kentish crowd (the 50 coachloads of Somerset supporters, who travelled to Canterbury on Wednesday, were back at home) sounded confident of victory when Somerset, needing 121 to win, were 40 for three and Underwood had yet to bowl. But where Somerset had dropped one catch Kent let Botham off three times and whereas only three of the Kent team made any runs, for Somerset no one entirely failed.

At the last Marks played as good an innings as any in the day. When he and Breakwell came together, at 88 for five, the match was far from over. Somerset, for one thing, had never beaten Kent in a one-day competition. That was a psychological factor. But it meant nothing to Marks, and Breakwell, moustache bristling, looked for the possibilities in every ball rather than the problems. Between them *these two made the last 34 runs in* 11 overs and declining light and with a proper determination.

Having reached 71 for two, and *with Johnson and Asif going well,* there can have been no way that Kent would have settled for the 120 they made. They met a sudden change of fortune in the four overs before lunch when Johnson, Ealham and Shepherd were all out. With Cowdrey being run out soon afterwards, only Asif was left to pull the innings round and at 109 he had his middle stump removed by Dredge. In 28 overs (and unwonted silence) Kent lost *their last seven wickets for 49* runs.

With four for 23 in his 12 overs Dredge was Somerset's most successful bowler. He had Woolmer leg-before in his second over, and after accounting for Asif he bowled Downton and Underwood with successive balls. There was a good opening spell from the towering Garner, in which Tavaré was caught at the wicket, and in the last over of the morning Breakwell took the valuable wicket of Shepherd, caught and bowled off the outside edge as he aimed to leg.

Somerset's one bad mistake in the field was to drop Asif at slip, a simple chance as slip chances go, when he was eight, off Botham. The most composed innings for Kent was played by Johnson, the most exotic by Asif. Johnson, as well as Cowdrey, was run out. This was not surprising. Asif's running was unpredictable.

Called for a short single to cover point by Asif, Johnson was narrowly run out by Richards's underarm return. Johnson failed to run his bat in. Cowdrey was also called for a single by Asif, to mid-on this time. Unlike the *other, this was an impossible run.* Cowdrey, sent back by Asif, had no time to get home before Breakwell, running from mid-on, ball in hand, whipped off the bails. Jarvis, the last man out, was well caught by Jennings, round the corner off Botham. That was at 3.15.

Somerset, in reply, made a confident start, reaching 23 in eight overs before Denning was caught at the wicket. Richards came and went like a whirligig. He stayed long enough to show that in half *an hour he could have settled the* issue; he was out soon enough, and in such a way, as to drive his colleagues to despair. Having flicked *Jarvis through midwicket* for four and driven his next ball incomparably for another four, he was bowled by the ball after that, taking too much for granted.

By surviving the first six of Underwood's overs Roebuck played no small part. Underwood bowled him in the end, though, playing no stroke. Cambridge, represented by Roebuck, were followed by last year's Oxford captain, Marks, and with Botham being dropped with comforting regularity Somerset, until Botham was out, had something in hand. I suppose, in fact, they always did, at any rate on paper.

Botham's three lives came when he was three (at mid-off off Woolmer), four (at second slip off Underwood) and 22 (at deep square leg off Johnson). When I say he still played responsibly it may show how much Somerset had to do. *When they had done* it Jack Robertson had his man of the match to choose. Botham, Marks and Breakwell—perhaps *Asif too—were all contenders.* Robertson gave it, though, to Dredge, the Demon of Frome, and on the day of the underdog it was wholly apt that he should.

Colin Dredge . . . Somerset's most successful bowler.

KENT

R. A. Woolmer, *l-b-w b Dredge*	0
G. W. Johnson, run out	24
C. J. Tavaré, c Taylor, b Garner	2
Asif Iqbal, b Dredge	48
*A. G. E. Ealham, b Jennings	0
J. N. Shepherd, c and b Breakwell	0
C. S. Cowdrey, run out	7
C. J. C. Rowe, not out	18
†P. R. Downton, b Dredge	3
D. L. Underwood, b Dredge	0
K. B. S. Jarvis, c Jennings, b Botham	0
Extras (b 9, l-b 5, w 1, n-b 3)	18
Total (53.5 overs)	120

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—4, 2—11, 3—71, 4—72, 5—75, 6—80, 7—109, 8—117, 9—117, 10—120.

BOWLING: Garner, 9—6—5—1; Dredge, 12—1—23—4; Jennings, 12—2—18—1; Botham, 8.5—0—33—1; Breakwell, 12—4—23—1.

SOMERSET

*B. C. Rose, b Shepherd	22
P. W. Denning, c Downton, b Jarvis	2
I. V. A. Richards, b Jarvis	10
P. M. Roebuck, b Underwood	10
I. T. Botham, b Shepherd	24
V. J. Marks, not out	30
D. Breakwell, not out	11
Extras (b 4, l-b 6, w 3)	13
Total (5 wkts: 47 overs)	122

J. Garner, †D. J. S. Taylor, K. F. Jennings, and C. H. Dredge did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—23, 2—40, 3—40, 4—65, 5—88.

BOWLING: Jarvis, 10—2—37—2; Shepherd, 12—4—16—2; Woolmer, 7—2—14—0; Underwood, 11—4—27—1; Johnson, 7—1—15—0.

Umpires: W. L. Budd and J. G. Langridge.

Simpson to judge

Reginald Simpson will be the judge for the Man of the Match award in the second Test match between England and New Zealand at Trent Bridge, starting next *Thursday. He played in six Tests* against New Zealand between 1949 and 1955.

The pyja game; or taken to t cleaners

By Alan Gibson

*MANCHESTER: Middle
nine wickets and 51 over
are 255 runs behind Lan*

It was another miser
What is more, it had be
settled night, beca
pyjamas had vanished
hotel room. The hotel
claimed all knowledge
I suspected an Oriental
a correspondent of T
Telegraph, I must add th
entirely innocent, and
pyjamas turned up in the
lodged amid a tangle
in the laundry. When a
to my age, and it a
home, he needs the
pyjamas.

The umpires announ
morning that there wo
pitch inspection at 3
rather to my surprise,
3.15. Overnight, Middl
scored six for no wick
over. After four overs
to go off again. There
interval of 15 minutes,
returned for two more ov
and bad light once mor
play. Tea was taken.
had scored 21, Smith and
still together, in the sev

With a full day to go a
and a forecast—though
half-hearted one—of
weather, there was sti
opportunity of a result,
skies were so forbidding
were considering th
position. If the match
have a proper finish, it
still be a result, so long a
sex bat for 20 overs. W
have to do is to keep
the Lancashire run rat
was 4.65 an over. Thi
mean, supposing that
were all that were to be
Middlesex would have
94; but we have not com
kind of calculation yet.

Play started again
5.0. I was on the telepho
in the pavilion, when a ro
were 7,000 people pres
pite the weather) told
Smith was out. I knew
him and not Brearley,
the roar lacked the sam
Smith had been very we
at mid-off.

In a few minutes the
departed again. Middle
scored 24 in nine overs.
been hard luck on them
to bat in such constant
rupted conditions, but
they had won the toss, an
their luck.

LANCASHIRE: 279 for
closed (A. Kennedy 151, C.
68).

MIDDLESEX
*J. M. Brearley, not out
M. J. Smith, c Hughes, b Rat
C. T. Radley, not out
Extras (l-b 1, w 1, n-b 1

Total (1 wkt, 9 overs)

G. D. Barlow, M. W. Gatt
Featherstone, †I. J. Gould
Edmonds, J. E. Emburey, M
Selvey and W. W. Daniel to

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—2

Umpires: H. D. Bird an
Wight.

Harold Bird had to with
umpire from Lancashire
against *Middlesex* beca
cartilage trouble. His pl
taken by Tom Wilson, wh
shortly after tea to find
pended for a third time
of bad weather.

No play yesterday

LEEDS: Yorkshire 174 f
overs (K. Sharp 61) v Sussex
Cup).

LEICESTER: Leicestershire
(Gillette Cup).

Minor Co v N Zea

AT TORQUAY

Minor Counties beat New
by 3 wickets.

NEW ZEALANDERS: First
117 for 3 dec (R. W. Anders
Second innings
R. W. Anderson, c Colly, b
G. N. Edwards, l-b-w, b Bi
J. M. Parker, c Gill, b Ikin
†B. E. Congdon, not out
†B. A. Edgar, not out
Extras (b 2, l-b 4, w 1)

Total (3 wkts dec)

J. M. McIntyre, G. P.
R. O. Collinge, B. P. Bracew
Boock and G. B. Thomson di

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—7
3—151.

BOWLING: Wilkinson, 8—
Collins, 7—0—31—0; O'Brie
24—0; Ikin, 24—6—46—
20—7—39—0.

MINOR COUNTIES: First
M. D. Nurton, not out
S. R. Atkinson, c Edgar, b B
well
P. N. Gill, st Edgar, b Boo
Extras (l-b 4)

Total (2 wkts dec)

*D. Bailey, M. S. T. Duns
Kippax, N. T. O'Brien, M
†P. E. Collyer, B. G. C
J. S. Wilkinson did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—

BOWLING: Bracewell,
Collinge, 10—2—21—0;
8—1—19—0; McIntyre, 6—
Howarth, 2.3—1—11—1.

Second innings

M. D. Nurton, c Bracew
Congdon
S. R. Atkinson, c Howa
Collinge
P. N. Gill, c Howarth, b C
*D. Bailey, c Bracewel
McIntyre
P. J. Kippax, c Congdo
Howarth
M. S. T. Dunstan, c and b Co
N. T. O'Brien, b McIntyre
M. J. Ikin, not out
†P. E. Collyer, not out
Extras (b 6, l-b 13, n-

Total (7 wkts)

B. G. Collins and J. S.
did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—
3—85, 4—89, 5—105,
7—145.

BOWLING: Bracewell,
Collinge, 8—2—34—2; Co
—3—53—2; Boock, 11—
McIntyre, 73.4—1—30—2
5—0—30—1.

Umpires: P. J. Eele a
Hagginson.

Packer players allowed in World Cup

The International Cricket Conference will not be placing a ban on players contracted to Kerry Packer for next year's Prudential World Cup in England—and that could decide the outcome of the competition to be held between June 9 and 23.

If Mr Packer's men do not compete England are well drawn. They are in the same group as Australia, the 1975 runners up, Pakistan and a qualifier from a separate competition to be held in the Midlands during May between 15 associate members. West Indies, the holders, are drawn against New Zealand, India and the second associate member qualifier.

Jack Bailey, secretary of the ICC, made it clear yesterday that countries can pick any players they choose in parties limited to 14. *So if West Indies call on* their World Series Cricket players and Pakistan do the same, the balance of power could be shifted before the *start* of the 60 over per side tournament, which will be worth £10,000 to the winners, and increase of £6,000 on 1975.

England's chances of reaching the final seem to depend on winning their group to avoid meeting West Indies in the semi-final *round.* The winners of West Indies' Group A play the runners up of England's Group B in the last four.

The profit will be *split* between the countries according to their responsibilities. England will receive the major share for staging *the competition and* because their following series against India has *been cut by one Test to accommodate* the World Cup.

The associate members have been split into three groups with the first matches probably on May 22. There will be six matches every day for five playing dates. Group 1: East Africa, Papua New Guinea, Argentina, Singapore and Bermuda; Group 2: Denmark, Fiji, Malaysia, Canada and Bangladesh; Group 3: Israel, United States, Netherlands, Gibraltar and Sri Lanka.

After the group matches have been completed, the three winners plus the "best" runner-up will play again to decide which countries enter the competition proper. Draw:

GROUP A: West Indies, India, New Zealand, qualifier.

GROUP B: England, Australia, Pakistan, qualifier.

ICC proposal for a curb on bouncers

Bowlers restricted to one bouncer per over, with an increasing danger of being taken off for the rest of the innings for persistent use of the short-pitched ball: that will be the prospect facing fast bowlers if a suggestion made by the International Cricket Conference to their member countries is taken up and proves successful.

At present, the use of the short-pitched ball—by definition a ball that rises above shoulder height to a batsman standing normally—violates law 46 if the umpires decide it is intimidatory. The ICC now suggest that the umpires allow one bouncer an *over,* then tell the bowler he has used up his quota. Another bouncer in the same over is called no-ball; a third *will also* be called no-ball and a *first* warning given; a fourth will be another no-ball, and a final warning will pass between umpire and bowler. Yet another short-pitched ball will mean that the bowler is taken off for the remainder of the innings.

The proposed system can operate throughout the innings, with the first warning not necessarily coming in the same over as the final one.

The ICC secretary, Jack Bailey, said: "It is hoped that the countries will experiment, but at the moment it is purely a suggestion. But if successful, and countries are in agreement, it could be incorporated in the laws."

There is a possibility that the new idea will be discussed at the Test and County Cricket Board's summer meeting with a view to considering its use *in England next* season.

Today's cricket

GILLETTE CUP
Quarter final (11.0, 60 overs)
LEICESTER: Leicestershire v Essex
LEEDS: Yorkshire v Sussex
MANCHESTER: Lancashire v Middlesex
SECOND XI COMPETITION
BRISTOL: Gloucestershire II v Glamorgan II.
COLSTON BASSETT: Nottinghamshire v Sussex II
BIRMINGHAM (M & B ground): Warwickshire II v Lancashire II
LEICESTER: Leicestershire II v Worcestershire II
DARTFORD: Kent II v Essex II
MINOR COUNTIES
READING: Berkshire v Cornwall
IPSWICH: Suffolk v Buckinghamshire

Lloyd asked to stay

Lancashire have offered Clive Lloyd a further contract, but the position with his West Indian col*league, Colin Croft,* is still under review. Lloyd, who plays for World Series cricket, has been with Lancashire since 1968. New contracts have also been offered to Reidy, Hughes, Trimm, Arrowsmith, Hogg, Abrahams and Scott, whose engagements are due to expire.

Second XI competition

DARTFORD: Essex II 245 for 8 (M. McEvoy 97 not out) v Kent.

Minor Counties

LAKENHAM: Norfolk 187 for 5; Buckinghamshire 35 for 0. No play, rain.

DARLINGTON: Durham 173 for 9 dec; Staffordshire 73 for 3. draw.

READING: Cornwall 59 for 3 dec; Berkshire 53 for 5.

Football

FA stop clubs scheming their way round bans

The Football Association have closed a loophole in the disciplinary regulations which enabled clubs to rearrange matches so that players could complete suspensions before important games. The disciplinary committee have been given powers to decide whether a club have arranged a match specifically to make a player available for a special game.

An FA spokesman said yesterday: "In the past a few clubs have arranged such matches and we hope that this will prevent any repetition of the practice."

Jimmy Greaves was able to play for Barnet against Peterborough United in the first round of the FA Cup last season, five days after being sent off in an Eastern Professional Floodlit League match. Greaves was dismissed for using "foul and abusive language" which carries an automatic one-match ban. Barnet rearranged a Southern League match *against Hillingdon* to enable him to serve his suspension before the Cup tie.

The FA's tougher attitude is *underlined* by a *further amendment,* to the laws governing the disciplinary points system. A player's case is dealt with by the *commission* after he has totalled 20 under the "totting up" process when he is liable to a maximum three-match suspension. In the past, players have been able to accumulate another 20 before being dealt with again. Now they will be liable to a ban of up to two matches for every additional 10 points they are penalised in the same season.

Schedule of penalty points for this season:
Violent conduct, serious foul play or foul or abusive language—12 penalty points (plus one-match suspension).
Illegal marking of the pitch—1 pt.
Intentional handling of the ball—2 pts.
Intentional obstruction—3 pts.
Intentional tripping—4 pts.
Wasting time—2 pts.
Shirt pulling, etc—3 pts.
Goalkeeper wasting time—2 pts.
Player using shoulders of his own team colleague to assist him in heading the ball—1 pt.
Moving arms about to obstruct opponent—2 pts.
Goalkeeper lying on the ball to waste time—2 pts.
Dangerous or foul play—4 pts.
Foul tackle from behind—4 pts.
Encroachment within 10 yards of the ball—3 pts.
Gesticulating in front of player taking the kick—3 pts.
Encroachment by a defender—2 pts.
Encroachment by an attacker—2 pts.
Gesticulating by kicker—2 pts.
Gesticulating in front of thrower—2 pts.
Any other offence deemed by the referee to be ungentlemanly conduct—2 pts.
Showing dissent (including interference by other players when the referee is speaking to players after an offence; continued commenting to the referee concerning his decisions in an effort to intimidate him)—4 pts.
Persistent infringement of the laws of the *game*—3 pts.
Entering or reentering the field of play without the referee's permission—1 pt.

Bristol City still in the market for Francis

Bristol City are still in the market for Gerry Francis, the Queens Park Rangers midfield player and former England captain. The City manager, Alan Dicks, confirmed yesterday that Rangers want £400,000 for Francis.

The chairman, Mr Stephen Kew, said: "This is not just hot air. We are negotiating and can afford the fee."

Mr Dicks said: "We had preliminary talks with Francis last night. We are now waiting on Francis, who says that there are other offers open to him.

"He has gone back to London but all the parties concerned want to get the matter settled one way *or another* by Saturday. There is a question about his fitness and we will want a month to assess whether Francis is fit enough for *a deal to go through.*"

John Aston, the Blackburn Rovers new signing, plays his first match at Blackpool on Saturday in the *first of their Anglo-Scottish* Cup games.

The manager, Jim Iley, is also hoping to play the central defender *Derek Fazackerley* who was *out* for the latter part of last season after damaging a pelvic muscle.

Aldershot are set to sign the Torquay winger, David *Tomlin,* for £20,000. The clubs have agreed
terms and *Tomlin* tra
Aldershot yesterday for
the manager, Tom Mc
Tomlin moved to To
March last year from
on a free transfer.

Wembley-type fencing
£30,000, is being erected
downe Road, *Dublin*,
Republic of Ireland's ho
pean Cup soccer matc
Northern Ireland (Septe
and England on *October*

The fencing will be
after each game, because
Rugby Football Union,
the ground, do not see
for it for their rug
nationals.

With the FAI hoping
half a million pounds
two soccer internatio
IRFU, receiving 15 per
receipts for leasing the
stands to benefit hands

Two Leeds United
returned home early
from the club's pre-sea
of the Netherlands.

Trevor Cherry, the ca
England defender, has
in an ear and Paul Ma
a twisted back. Leeds d
send the two home in
get them fit for the
opening game against A
August 19.

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Miss Little picks up where she eft off in United States Open

Lewine Mair

lly Little handed in a 69, five r par, to take a one-stroke at the end of the first day of $100,000 dollar European , sponsored by Colgate, at ingdale yesterday. Laura gh is lying second at four r par with Vivian Brownlee a shot further back.

fortnight ago, Miss Little e up through the field in the d States Women's Open with r round 65. That score left alongside JoAnne Carner in d place, with Hollis Stacy winner by a shot. So she just l to emulate Johnny Miller. rday she had her first com- ive round since then.

ss Little is renowned for her y to hand in the odd low but, at least at the moment, is satisfied that her golf is nensurate with her figures. e got a lovely, easy feeling y swing. Everything is going er well."

e did have something of a t when, at the outset of her d, she shanked her third at first. "Here we go," she ght to herself—but moments she was back on the right having chipped to within feet of the hole and escaped a par.

drive and three wood paved way for her birdie at the ard second. After matching over the next five holes, she ed a birdie at the eighth and to be out in 33 against the of 36.

ning home, Miss Little hit a and sand wedge to within feet of the flag at the 295- 11th. A drive and five wood her onto the green at the ard 12th and her final birdie e day came at the 477-yard after another perfectly d little wedge. Not un- ally, the 27-year-old South an was reluctant to speak of in her third round last year, threw away her lead with a o into the woods off the tee.

wever, she was by no means agey when it came to dis- ng how much she liked the g of being up there in the "I'm much more at ease is position than I was in the . The more you're up there, asier it gets."

s Baugh's opening round as, in relation to the par of the course, one of her best ever competitive rounds. With the course playing so much longer, the difficult closing stretch is a talking point this week—but the former Curtis Cup golfer had five successive birdies from the 12th and finished in par at the last two treacherous holes.

Sally Little: a lovely, easy feeling in her swing.

Nancy Lopez and Amy Alcott, playing together, each returned a 73. Miss Lopez was out in 38, with a six at the par three eighth. In attempting to blast out of a bunker she found an unplayable lie in the trees. There was nowhere else she could drop out under penalty—and so she returned to the bunker. A rather better recovery, this time to 15 feet, meant a six but she was still, in the crisis, thinking positively.

Miss Lopez came home in 35 and was pleased not so much with her score as the way in which she struck the ball. In her last tournament, the United States Open, she had been conscious of her timing being awry, but, during her practice days at Sunningdale, she suddenly rediscovered the right feel.

Miss Lopez's game is based on feel rather than any set theories and she will tell you that she could not begin to analyse her game: "I don't know anything about my golf swing."

ningdale card

Yds	Par	Hole	Yds	Par
480	5	10	463	5
450	5	11	295	4
296	4	12	420	5
161	3	13	172	3
367	4	14	477	5
378	4	15	210	3
383	4	16	409	5
165	3	17	390	4
265	4	18	393	4
,945	36	In	3,229	38

First round at Sunningdale

69: S. Little (South Africa)
70: L. Baugh (US)
71: V. Brownlee (US)
72: P. Conley (US), J. Britz (US), N. Yoshikawa (Japan), B. King (US), S. Engelhorn (US).
73: N. Lopez (US), A. Alcott (US), M. Breer (US), P. Bradley (US), D. Young (US), D. Austin (US).
74: K. Ahern (US), J. Rankin (US), J. N. Washam (US), S. Hamlin (US), M. Mills (US), J. Carner (US), J. Clark (US), M. Dwyer (US), S. Ehret (US), K. Postlewait (US), C. Mann (US).
75: B. Stone (US), L. Bruce (Canada), W. Aitken
76: B. Barrow (US), C. Greer (US), J. Stephenson (Australia), J. Kazmierski (US), D. Massey (US), H. Stacy (US), D. Molstorm (US), S. Bertolaccini (Argentina).
77: C. Artasma (Spain), V. Saunders, K. Martin (US), P. Higgins (US), P. Light, J. Prentice (US), S. Post (Canada).
78: S. Palmer (US), R. Speer (US), M. Floyd (US), M. Walker, J. Coles (US), M. Smith (NZ), J. Dost (US).
79: D. White (US), C. Morse (US), P. Pulz (Australia).
80: M. Hagge (US), K. Ehrnlund (Sweden), K. Hite (US), K. Kertzman (US), J. Lee Smith, D. Germain (US).
82: S. Bamford, D. Henson, C. Langford, P. Hayes (US), A. Sander.
83: C. Trew, S. Jolly, L. Harrold, B. Cullen
84: M. Burton, M. Lorenzi (France), J. Chapman, S. Lynn (US).
85: R. Porter, M. L. Crocker (US), S. Johnson (US).
86: I. Stergion (Greece), S. Parker
87: M. Nause (US), A. Janmaat (Netherlands).
89: J. Melville

itain bank on experience in Curtis Cup

Peter Ryde
Correspondent
Aug 3

British captain, Mrs Carol , tried nothing fancy in oice of pairings for the first of foursomes in the Curtis match starting at the ants Club here tomorrow. chose the pairs that had sed together all the week in llowing order: Julia Green- and Vanessa Marvin, Mary rd and Muriel Thomson, ed by Mary McKenna and n Perkins. She omitted a Uzielli and Carole Caldwell ade it clear that barring seen circumstances she use the services of all the

is understandable. Apart any question of merit, rest s must form an important f any captain's strategy, lly in humid conditions. rainclouds, and a breeze nditions cool as both teams ut for their final prepara- e British continuing to play wn ball, sometimes two or f them as the best way of g a course which has of lessons to offer.

Comboy, with the assurance ng captained two winning in Europe last year, has a simple approach to her h in her absolute certainty sing the big ball and in her f pairings. Three thorough the course with plenty of ame practice back at the ster club has ensured that has had time to become d or bored before the

The British team is one of the most experienced for years, their average age of 29 being some five years higher than that of the Americans. Miss McKenna, Miss Greenhalgh, Miss Perkins and Miss Everard have had their share of defeats over the past four meetings, but have scored a high percentage of such points as Britain has won.

The unknown and probably decisive factor is the state of the greens. It is unknown because they will be specially cut for the match and they have been unusually slow this week because of heavy rain. Among the numerous expressions of encouragement given to the visiting party by Americans who long for the record of the matches to be levelled a bit is the local argument, spoken with a good deal of feeling, especially by members of the Seniors Society whose home this is, that the greens are so difficult when they get back to their normal pace that even the Americans will not be able to handle them.

Most of their team, the argument runs, can handle grain on greens, but fast-running greens with diabolical slopes are another matter. Already it is clear that there are half a dozen greens where the approach shot must be tactical, that is on the low side of the hole, if there is to be the slightest chance of a birdie. Not that either side will be looking for many birdies; the sane approach is the view that par or even a little higher will be good enough.

It is comforting to reflect that ignorance about this mostly new American team is shared also by their lively captain, Mrs Wilson, who as Helen Sigel played against Britain in 1950 and 1966. It was not until she came here that she met Beth Daniel, their team's star player, who won the national title last year and the Western Open this year. This is quite natural in such a far-flung country and is of little significance except in explaining why she left the pairing of her own team to the last moment.

They have three past players, Miss Hill, Miss Daniel and Miss Smith who have between them been in five Curtis Cup encounters, whereas Britain's quartet of old campaigners have appeared in twelve matches. Of the remaining five Americans the youngest is a slip of a college girl, 19-year-old Carolyn Hill, and the oldest Mrs Uihlein, whose best this year was runner-up to Miss Daniel in the Western. Judy Oliver is from that beautiful home of Curtis Cup golfers, Broadmoor, where the success story of Judith Bell and her colleagues shows there are other ways for top golfers to make money than turning professional.

Apart from Miss Daniel her team has not won much. The opportunity would appear to be there and the way the British handle fiendish greens will decide whether that chance can be taken or not. The Curtis Saucer tournament, a match which keeps delegates and hangers-on happy during the long waiting days, was won 12—9 by the United States. In the course of it Belle Robertson set a new record of 66 on the nearby course of Sleepy Hollow.

lo drops two s at first in Sweden

gborg, Aug 3.—Adan Argentina, was the early today's first round of the vian Open at the Vasa- b here, going to the turn ree-under-par 33. Out in the British Ryder Cup onals Peter Townsend and Darcy, and three more Jimmy Heggarty, Donald and the Belgian-based Eaton.

; from the tenth tee, lland, from Northern Ire- former winner of the Open, was the early pace- uring in a two-birdie 35. Faldo, who is lying ehind Severiano Balles- the European money list, he turn in a two-over-par

dropped two strokes at ng hole when his second caught by a cross-wind all finished in a pond. in 38 was the British y champion Mark James. s favourite for the title ing last week's German a late starter.—Reuter.

UND: 67, D. Hayes (South , E. Darcy (Ireland); 70, io (Spain), S. Hobday B. Verwey (South Africa), (Australia), M. Ballesteros J. Gallardo (Spain), J. GB), E. Polland (GB), A. ntina), C. O'Connor Jnr B. Gallacher (GB), R. New Zealand); 72, D. GB), M. Inglis (GB), S. GB), M. James (GB), N. Africa).

FRY: Under-35 matchplay , first round: C. Bonner kinson, 5 and 4; J. Hen- G. Potter, 3 and 2; M. t A. Richards, 3 and 1; ll beat T. Underwood, 7 ephenson beat P. O'Hagan. D. J. Jones beat G. J. nd 1; G. W. McCausland Collinson, 1nr, 2 and 1; ock beat R. B. Hudson. Thomas beat R. Drum- ; C. Potts beat T. J. ; S. N. Deller beat R. d 3; W. J. McColl beat on, at 19th; S. P. Ward Atkins, 4 and 2; W. J. at M. Ruth, 4 and 2; at D. Bell, 4 and 2; T. e Shepherd, 2 and 1.

Crenshaw starts with a blaze of birdies

Oakmont, Pennsylvania, Aug 3.—Ben Crenshaw had birdies four of the first six holes to take the early lead as the sixtieth PGA championship began today at the Oakmont Country Club. Crenshaw, a 26-year-old Texan who has failed so far to live up to his potential, began spectacularly with birdies at the second, fourth, fifth, sixth and seventh holes. Only at the difficult 425-yard third hole and the seventh did he mar his card by going over par at each.

Steve Melnyk, who won the United States amateur over this 6,989-yard course in 1969, was the only other player under par among the early starters on a hazy, warm morning. Melnyk was one over par on the opening hole, but had pars at the next three and then ran off three birdies in a row followed by a bogey and another birdie to complete the outward half in two under-par 34.

His playing partner, Britain's Peter Oosterhuis, started with a horrible six, two over par, but pulled one back immediately at the second, and a birdie at the par five ninth brought him back to even par.

The greens were the main talking point early today. "The greens are unbelievable," David Graham, one of four Australians in the field, said before going out. "Putting is going to be difficult," Oosterhuis said. Another Australian, Bob Shearer, observed: "You can putt well here and still three putt. There are some positions on the greens where you've got no hope of two-putting."

Jack Nicklaus, the favourite, agreed that the greens are extremely fast, but added: "It makes you become more of a player."

The undulating greens have been shaved so close for the last major championship of the season that there is less than an eighth of an inch of grass left. Nicklaus, who has won the Philadelphia Classic since St Andrews, said that because of this, and because of the dips and humps of the greens, it is even more important at Oakmont to hit precise approach shots to get in position to try to single putt—and avoid three-putting. "I played as well as ever I have from the tee to green in the British open", he said. "Coming off the two wins, obviously I've got a lot of confidence."—Reuter.

Plaxton wins Carris trophy

Jonathan Plaxton, an England schoolboy international, putted brilliantly to win the Carris Boy's trophy by two strokes over the High Course at Moor Park, yesterday. The 17-year-old Yorkshire colt, a member at Scarborough South Cliff, had rounds of 7, and 73 for a 36 hole total of 144.

Playing in the tournament for the first time, Plaxton owed his triumph to a fighting recovery in the first round. He was three over par after only four holes but staged a praiseworthy comeback with six birdies from the sixth to the 16th.

Plaxton played consistently in the second round and was spurred on by holding a six-foot putt for a par at the eighth. He turned in 38 and one of his best strokes was a four wood second for a birdie at the 508-yard uphill 16th.

LEADING SCORES: 144: J. L. Plaxton, 71, 73. 146: D. Whelan, 76, 70. 148: C. W. Gray, 78, 70. 149: A. W. Bricow, 76, 73. 150: S. Kepeller, 76, 74; C. Maudsley, 74, 76; A. Hill, 73, 78; P. G. Way, 76, 74. 151: B. Lewis, 76, 75; K. C. Elvin, 79, 72. 152: G. Homewood, 76, 76. 155: J. H. Leggett, 77, 76.

Racing

Ile de Bourbon takes on elders again soon

By Michael Phillips
Racing Correspondent

Fulke Johnson Houghton's decision, made last week at Goodwood, to run his King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Diamond Stakes winner Ile de Bourbon in the St Leger rather than in the Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe will do much to enliven the interest in this year's fifth and final classic, which is also the objective of the Derby and Irish Derby winner, Shirley Heights.

When he announced his decision, which was taken after lengthy consultation with his mother, Helen, and the colt's other two owners, David McCall and Sir Philip Oppenheimer, Johnson Houghton said that Ile de Bourbon would run again before Doncaster, but precisely where had still to be decided.

Yesterday, however, Johnson Houghton told me that Ile de Bourbon would run in the Geoffrey Freer Stakes at Newbury tomorrow week provided that the ground is not soft there. Basically, he had only three options because Ile de Bourbon was never entered for the Benson and Hedges Gold Cup at York in the belief that the distance of that race would be too short for him.

The three remaining alternatives were the Geoffrey Freer Stakes on August 12, the Great Voltigeur Stakes at York on August 23, or the March Stakes at Goodwood three days later. To run in the Great Voltigeur would have entailed crossing swords with Shirley Heights, which basically would be better left until the St Leger, and to run at Goodwood would mean a race over a mile and three-quarters.

So Johnson Houghton has opted for the Newbury race, even though Ile de Bourbon will be penalized to the hilt for his great win at Ascot and even though it means taking on his elders again.

August 12, then, looks an important date for the diary quite apart from heralding the start of another season of grouse shooting, because if present plans are adhered to those good four-year-old fillies Dunfermline and Royal Hive will also be in the line-up for the same race at Newbury. And because the conditions of the Geoffrey Freer Stakes have been altered this year, they will be meeting the three-year-old on much more advantageous terms than in the past.

Whereas in the past a horse was penalized for winning a group One, Two or Three race from a three-year-old on, this year the penalties are applicable only to the current season. And as neither Dunfermline nor Royal Hive have won a pattern race since 1977, or a race of any description for that matter, they will be meeting Ile de Bourbon on 8lb better terms than they would if the race was a strict weight-for-age affair.

That should enable Dunfermline to do better than she did at Ascot, where she finished eight and a half lengths behind Ile de Bourbon in the "Diamond Race". Royal Hive has been given plenty of time to recover from the after-effects of her gruelling race in the Ascot Gold Cup in which she was beaten two lengths by Shangamuzo. Were she to win the Geoffrey Freer Stakes, she would be the third member of her family to do so. Her elder half-sister Attica Meli won it in 1973. Four years before that it was the turn of another descendant of the Crepescule line, Rangong, to win it.

As far as today's racing is concerned, Johnson Houghton is hopeful that his lightly-raced two-year-old Shack will win the Devils Gallop Stakes at Lingfield Park, where the going can only be heavy after all the recent rain. Shack is a half brother to that top class miler and successful stallion Habitat, and to another stallion as well in Northfields.

Instead of selling Shack at public auction in the United States last year, his breeder, Charles Nuckols, Junior decided to keep him, syndicate him, and then lease him from that group for the duration of his racing career. That career began promisingly enough when Shack won his first and only race so far at Haydock Park, and he is preferred now to Speed Bonnie Boat, who finished only seventh behind Young Generation at Sandown Park and Young Man, who was hopelessly outpaced in the Star Stakes on the same course.

Johnson Houghton must have a good chance of winning the Southsport Handicap Stakes as well with George Ward's improving stayer Amerian, who won the Heyshott Handicap at Goodwood only nine days ago. However, he is not sure how Amerian will cope with the conditions underfoot, because so far he has won only on firm ground.

In the circumstances, it may be more sensible to go for either Matinale or Mill Street, both of whom should welcome the softer conditions. Matinale is a proven mudlark, and she runs at Lingfield Park instead of in the third race at Newmarket, for which she was declared as an alternative in case Lingfield became a victim of the bad weather, as is often the case. I still prefer Mill Street, who is a full brother to Millionaire, who won the Queen's Vase at Ascot last year.

Mill Street looks a promising young stayer. He will be ridden today, and ridden well, I fancy, by Brian Rouse, because Patrick Eddery is unable to ride as light as 7st 13lb. Effulgence, my selection for the Day by Day Handicap Stakes, is another who will revel in the conditions underfoot. It was soft when he won both his races at Goodwood and Newbury last autumn, and he showed signs of returning to form at York last month, when he dead-heated for second place in the Magnet Cup.

Go Skytrain, who is owned, not surprisingly, by that great racing enthusiast Sir Frederick Laker, would be a singularly appropriate winner of the Laker Airways Anniversary Nursery.

And by running so well against Al-Amal at Goodwood last Saturday—he was probably attempting the impossible trying to give that good filly 7lb—Go Skytrain hinted that he might well be able to win this race, which has been sponsored by his owner's company.

The Brighton sprint handicap again proved a consolation prize for a Stewards Cup failure yesterday but not the one most backers plumped for at the seaside meeting.

After the previous days downpour, they blithely laid the odds on Roman Scribe but it was the other colt beaten in the Goodwood sprint, Hyver Hill, who took the honours. In fact, the hard ridden Roman Scribe had to be content with third place in the five-strong field, after never threatening danger.

Syd Woodman had only one excuse for the favourite and that was that the field had tacked over to the faster ground on the stands side when the straight was reached.

"It's much softer on the far rail, and our horse wants that sort of going. I only wish the race had taken place yesterday", he exclaimed.

No marks should be taken from the winner, whom Geoffrey Baxter drove past Codebreaker inside the last furlong to score decisively by two lengths.

"But the credit must go to Ryan Price, who trained Hyver Hill until he was transferred to me six weeks ago", said Paul Cole. "He appreciated the going. It was too hard at Goodwood and, after the way he won, I think he'll get further than six furlongs", ended the trainer.

Trainers are specially pleased to win for new patrons, and Richard Hannon did it in style for the Bedford builder Mr Leslie Ames, by winning the opening races with Wootton and Ribolane.

STATE OF GOING (official): Redcar: Good. Haydock Park: Good to soft. Newmarket: Good to soft. Lingfield Park: Soft. Worcester (tomorrow): Good.

Brighton results

2.0 (2.2) BLACK ROCK STAKES (2-y-o: £1,255: 7f)
Wootton, ch c, by Sweet Revenge—Dwindle (L. Ames), 9-0 P. Cook (100-30 fav) 1
Tipsy Cake ...... A. Bond (16-1) 2
Hi-Gemini .... W. Carson (10-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 9-2 Shaftesbury (4th), Lord John, 7-1 Yellow Rock, 12-1 My Natalie, 14-1 Fine Scot, Friar Tuck, 16-1 Knife Edge, 20-1 James Ward, Trial, 25-1 Silent Youngster, Alatool, Emperor Bradley, Jola Roly, Notoriety, Opera Star. 18 ran.
TOTE: Win, 35p; places, 20p, 53p, 41p; dual forecast, £1.71. R. Hannon, at Marlborough. 5l, ¾l. 1min 28.93sec. Glitter Star did not run.

2.30 (2.39) CLIFTONVILLE STAKES (£1,577: 1¼m)
Ribolane, b c, by Ribero—Mamzelle (T. A. H. Ames Builders Ltd), 3-8-8 .... G. Lewis (100-30) 1
Hussy ...... P. Waldron (7-1) 2
Never Temper .... B. Taylor (9-2) 3
ALSO RAN: 3-1 fav Brindisi (4th), 5-1 Moriolly, 16-1 Wareath, 33-1 Cumberland Reel, 33-1 Lindwall, Hot Premiere, Lord Parryband, Prince Yoyo, Souvent, Ardbilly Lass. 13 ran.
TOTE: Win, 39p; places, 15p, 35p, 16p; dual forecast, £1.38. R. Hannon, at Marlborough. 5l, 2l. 2min 39.16sec.

3.0 (3.2) BRIGHTON SPRINT HANDICAP (£5,661: 6f)
Hyver Hill, ch c, by Porto Bello—Alydea (D. Rowland), 4-9-11 G. Baxter (11-4) 1
Codebreaker .. R. Weaver (5-1) 2
Roman Scribe, B. Taylor (4-5 fav) 3
ALSO RAN: 16-1 Royal Harmony (4th), 20-1 Mattock. 5 ran.
TOTE: Win, 60p; dual forecast, 66p. P. Cole, at Lambourn. 2l, 2½l. 1min 14.00sec.

3.30 (3.31) RINGMER STAKES CLAIMING RACE (2-y-o: £1,590: 5f 66yd)
Minister Chimes, ch c, by Frankincense—Clocked (E. Vaughan) 8-8 .... G. Baxter (9-4) 1
Sally Anne's Boy, B. Raymond (11-2) 2
What A Lass, .. B. Rouse (12-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 7-4 fav Johnnames (4th), 6-1 King Kermit, 16-1 Corn Belle. 6 ran.
TOTE: Win, 53p; places, 27p, 24p; dual forecast, 25p. E. Reavey, at Wantage. ½l, 2l. Kung Hei Fat Choy did not run. 1min 07.26sec.

4.0 (4.1) EDBURTON HANDICAP (3-y-o: £1,255: 5f 66yd)
Brexen, b c, by Burglar—Tacadora (R. Poulney), 8-5 J. Lynch (13-2) 1
Rica, ... G. Baxter (7-1) 2
Cashar Lady, J. Matthias (12-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 4-1 jt favs High Voltage, Nous (4th), 5-1 Edna's Choice, 11-2 Deepwater Blues, 16-1 Maalgesh, 20-1 Miss Cameron, Rushock. 10 ran.
TOTE: Win, 75p; places, 22p, 56p, 32p; dual forecast, £1.81. D. Keith, at Winchester. 2½l, ½l. 1min 05.60sec.

4.30 (4.33) AQUARIUM HANDICAP (£1,609: 1¼m)
Hang-On-Elvis, br g, by Right Tack—Prairie Princess (Mrs T. Macdonald), 3-7-5 R. J. Ferguson (12-1) 1
Zoro, ... E. Hide (8-1) 2
Now Hear This, W. Carson (7-4 fav) 3
ALSO RAN: 6-2 Traquair (4th), 5-1 Helmsley, 12-1 Vrondi, 14-1 Saturnus, 20-1 Gold Streak. 8 ran.
TOTE: Win, £2.27; places, 49p, 28p, 12p; dual forecast, £5.70. N. Callaghan, at Newmarket. 4l, 2½l. 2min 06.5sec.
TOTE DOUBLE: Hyver Hill, Brexen: £31.10. TREBLE: Ribolane, Minister Chimes, Hang-On-Elvis: £172.20. Jackpot: Not won: £1,976.00 carried forward. Placepot: £136.85.

Pontefract

2.45 (2.50) CARLETON STAKES (2-y-o: £825: 5f)
Evasive, ch f, by Song—Aunt Eva (U. Iss), 8-11 P. Eddery (7-4 fav) 1
Miss Supreme G. Duffield (14-1) 2
Tanner Street .. P. Madden (4-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 5-2 Green Lass (4th), 14-1 Benlicek Hotel, Mini Bel, 33-1 Gormflath, Japes, Lindale, Mis Inglewood, Marion Terrace, Pant, Purriss Atoll, Santra, Scottish Highway, Sovereign Shoe. 16 ran.
TOTE: Win, 25p; places, 11p, 24p, 15p; dual forecast, £2.07. I. Balding, at Kingsclere. 6l, 2½l. Chamo-do did not run.

3.15 (3.17) UPTON STAKES (3-y-o: £477: 1¼m)
Summer Mist, ch f, by Midsummer Night II—Straight Mistress (A. Hadden), 8-4 P. Eddery (6-4 fav) 1
Immodest Miss .. T. Ives (100-30) 2
Quick Away ...... J. Reid (8-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 7-2 Subsidise (4th), 12-1 Am' Away-Too, 14-1 Johnny Gent. 6 ran.
TOTE: Win, 21p; places, 12p, 17p; dual forecast, 41p. A. Goodwill at Newmarket. 5l, 6l. The winner was bought in for 800 guineas.

3.45 (3.47) WEBSTER'S PENNINE MILE CHAMPIONSHIP (Handicap: 3-y-o: £1,921: 1m)
Levine, b c, by King's Bishop—Brat II (Lt Col R. Warden), 9-9 .... M. Birch (8-13 fav) 1
Elisian ...... P. Eddery (11-2) 2
Holiday Hymn .. E. Apter (17-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 7-1 White Domino, 11-1 Shaaryar, 14-1 Clown Court (4th). 6 ran.
TOTE: Win, 15p; places, 11p, 37p; dual forecast, 35p. M. H. Easterby at Malton. 3l, 1l. Plutonium did not run.

4.15 (4.16) DIANNE NURSERY HANDICAP (2-y-o: £2,171: 5f)
Nadwa, b f, by Tyrant—Evening Storm (A. Foustok), 9-7 P. Eddery (4-11 fav) 1
Salbob ...... C. Dwyer (9-4) 2
TOTE: Win, 12p. Two ran. 10l. W. O'Gorman, at Newmarket.

4.45 (4.47) "GO RACING IN YORKSHIRE" TRAINERS TROPHY (Handicap: £2,162: 6f)
I Don't Mind, b f, by Swing Easy—Va Beni (Mrs H. Vernon), 4-10-0 .... E. Apter (6-1) 1
My Chopin P. McDermott (12-1) 2
Classy Dame A. Mercer (2-1 fav) 3
ALSO RAN: 7-2 Witches Broom, 4-1 Heracles, 9-1 White Emperor, 10-1 Hutton Barns (4th). 7 ran.
TTE: Win, 67p; places, 31p, £1.15; dual forecast, £8.85. J. Berry, at Cockerham. 1l, 1½l.

5.15 (5.17) STEWARDS' STAKES (3-y-o: £1,036: 1¼m)
North West, ch c, by Welsh Pageant—Heather Grove (Mrs H. Jones) 9-0 ...... J. Bleasdale (11-2) 1
Foudre .... J. Reid (5-1) 2
Miss Mirage M. L. Thomas (11-4 fav) 3
ALSO RAN: 7-2 Majestic Nurse, 6-1 Steve Lauso, 12-1 Wolvey Sovereign (4th), 14-1 The Wolds, 25-1 Ayresome, Saramir, Burion, Fine Bird, Avec-Vous, La Boheme, White House Lady. 14 ran.
TOTE: Win, 57p; places, 15p, 11p, 14p; dual forecast, £1.10. H. Thomson Jones, at Newmarket. 1l, nk.
TOTE DOUBLE: Levine, I Don't Mind, £10.60. TREBLE: Summer Mist, Nadwa, North West, £6.75. JACKPOT: £28.30. PLACEPOT: £110.60.

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2.30: 1, **Saintly Purchase** (4-6); 2, Say Myth (11-10); 3, Martia's Mark (10-1). 4 ran.
3.0: 1, **Faithful Maia** (4-5); 2, Border Gem (6-1); 3, Petallot (6-1). 9 ran. Penhull Cottage and Rock Dove did not run.
3.30: 1, **St Paddy Gift** (4-6); 2, Brilston (5-1); 3, Greengate (25-1). 9 ran.
4.0: 1, **Pine Lodge** (2-5); 2, Ebony Rock (8-1); 3, So Near (4-1). 5 ran.
4.30: 1, **Verdi** (3-1); 2, The Bishop (15-1); 3, Quacklatory (7-1). 6 ran.
5.0: 1, **Barmitzvah Boy** (10-1); 2, Heluan (evens); 3, Homefield (12-1). 9 ran.

Haydock Park programme

2.15 LADY HILL STAKES (2-y-o: £1,865: 5f)

1	13	**Ring Lady** (D), B. Hills, 9-1	W. Carson	4
3	1	**Summer Show** (D), C. Nelson, 9-1	J. Lynch	5
4		**Emlaghmore,** P. Walwyn, 8-11	F. Morby	2
6		**Mr Match,** Denys Smith, 8-11	P. Kelleher	6
7		**Muppet,** W. Haigh, 8-11	—	3
8		**Royal Rex,** R. Hollinshead, 8-11	T. Ives	1

4-5 Ring Lady, 7-2 Summer Show, 5-1 Emlaghmore, 12-1 Mr Match, 16-1 Royal Rex, 25-1 Muppet.

2.45 MOTORWAY HANDICAP (£1,117: 1¼m 131yd)

4	000000	**Phoenix Rose,** M. Naughton, 4-9-4	W. Carson	12
5	4-00041	**Dike Lane,** J. Berry, 4-9-3	—	2
7	010034	**Mister Chicken,** C. Crossley, 6-9-2	P. Cook	14
8	00-4040	**Sazerac,** A. Johnson, 4-9-1	T. Rogers	8
9	342000	**Sia-Kross** (B), S. Holland, 4-9-1	K. Darley 5	6
10	200-000	**Lend An Ear** (B,CD), J. Walker, 14-8-11	J. Lynch	3
11	0300	**Delarum,** L. Barratt, 6-8-11	—	4
12	22-0034	**Lilah Helen,** R. Hollinshead, 5-8-10	T. Ives	1
13	000000	**Just Tempest** (B), L. Docker, 5-8-10	—	9
16	400413	**Le Dauphin** (B), T. Craig, 6-8-9	A. McKay 7	11
18	210-003	**Brewmaster,** J. Mulhall, 5-8-8	—	3
19	300	**Tim's Choice** (B), F. Dever, 12-8-8	O. Gray	10
23	000-030	**Sandman,** W. Atkinson, 5-8-3	P. Kelleher	7
24	030021	**Joan Marjorie** (B), R. C. Ward, 3-8-3	K. Leason	13

3-1 Le Dauphin, 4-1 Dike Lane, 5-1 Sazerac, 6-1 Jean Marjorie, 8-1 Mister Chicken, Phoenix Rose, 12-1 Brewmaster, Lilah Helen, 16-1 others.

3.15 CASTLE HILL MAIDEN STAKES (£1,210: 1¾m)

3	00440	**Jimmy Rolt** (B), J. S. Turner, 4-9-8	—	2
4		**Keithson,** F. Rimell, 5-9-8	C. Tunkler	5
6	000002	**Mahogany,** H. Wragg, 4-9-8	P. Cook	10
7	00000-0	**Seagas,** W. Wharton, 4-9-8	—	12
8		**Charmed Leader,** V. Thompson, 4-9-5	—	3
12	003020	**Kir,** B. Hanbury, 3-8-3	—	1
13	0-0	**Major Swallow,** P. Cole, 3-8-8	G. Baxter	8
14	0	**Noddy Hoo,** R. Hollinshead, 3-8-8	T. Ives	6
16	00-033	**Sandicliffe,** B. Hills, 3-8-5	W. Carson	4
18	04-300	**Taffy,** H. Candy, 3-8-8	P. Waldron	9
19	0	**Acquaintance,** V. Thompson, 3-8-5	P. Carville	11
21	000-000	**Josceline,** A. Jarvis, 3-8-5	S. Jarvis 5	7

2-1 Mahogany, 5-2 Taffy, 4-1 Sandicliffe, 5-1 Major Swallow, 10-1 Keithson, 12-1 Kir, 20-1 others.

3.45 MATTHEW PEACOCK HANDICAP (3-y-o: £2,197: 7f 40yd)

2	101044	**Casino Royale,** Doug Smith, 9-9	W. Carson	6
9	00-0111	**Staffordshire Knot** (B,CD), R. Hollinshead, 9-5	K. Darley 5	4
10	142-000	**Discreet,** M. Stoute, 9-3	—	5
13	000222	**Gay Herald** (B), P. Cole, 9-3	G. Baxter	2
14	01-00	**Klaxonette,** M. Smyly, 8-10	P. Cook	3
17	4110-00	**Dollar-A-Corner** (C), J. Cousins, 8-0	O. Gray	1

7-4 Staffordshire Knot, 5-2 Casino Royale, 4-1 Gay Herald, 6-1 Klaxonette, 8-1 Discreet, 25-1 Dollar-A-Corner.

4.15 WEST LANCASHIRE MAIDEN STAKES (3-y-o: £1,410: 1½m: 131yd)

1	00-2	**Border Knight,** Denys Smith, 9-0	K. Darley 5	1
4	40-	**Last Issue,** M. Camacho, 9-0	G. Gosney 5	7
7	00-	**Rupertino,** E. Owen jun, 9-0	—	5
10	0000-	**Tudor Diver,** T. Craig, 9-0	K. Leason	2
12	0	**American Playgirl,** V. Thompson, 8-11	R. Dickin	6
13	232023	**Calf of Man,** B. Hills, 8-11	W. Carson	3
14	0	**Grand Melody,** V. Thompson, 8-11	P. Carville	4

4-7 Calf of Man, 7-4 Border Knight, 8-1 Last Issue, 20-1 others.

4.45 LILBURNE HANDICAP (2-y-o: £1,339: 6f)

2	013	**Onapromise** (CD), Denys Smith, 9-6	K. Darley 5	3
11	000104	**O. I. Oyston** (D), J. Berry, 8-3	W. Carson	4
13	03000	**Master Timothy** (B), A. Jarvis, 7-11	S. Jarvis 5	1
16	20034	**Early Days,** F. Rimell, 7-11	P. Shrimpton 7	2

Evens Onapromise, 3-1 Master Timothy, 9-2 Early Days, 5-1 O. I. Oyston.

Haydock Park selections

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2.15 Ring Lady. 2.45 Sazerac. 3.15 Taffy. 3.45 Casino Royale. 4.15 Calf of Man. 4.45 Onapromise.

Redcar programme

2.0 STAINTONDALE STAKES (3-y-o: £710: 1m)

1		**African Vision** (Exors of the late P. Robinson), W. Holden, 9-0	P. Young 5	9
2	00	***Attington** (R. Donaldson), T. Craig, 9-0	—	8
3	0400-00	**Comerce** (Mrs M. Kane), R. Cross, 9-0	J. Lowe	6
4	30-0000	**Highfield Jet** (B) (Exors of the late J. Taylor), E. Carr, 9-0	—	1
6		**Maymonta** (A. Snipe), M. H. Easterby, 9-0	M. Birch	5
9	000-000	**Quarry Bank** (J. Pickavance), S. Nesbitt, 9-0	G. Moore	11
11	004-000	**Dance Band** (J. Briggs), Denys Smith, 8-11	J. Bleasdale	2
12	00-0000	**Genesta** (B) (Mrs K. Lockwood), W. Haigh, 8-11	G. Oldroyd	7
15	300002	**Mac's Imperial** (B) (J. Fawcett), M. W. Easterby, 8-11	C. Moss	3
17	0000-03	**No Lady** (Miss C. Lucas), J. Berry, 8-11	D. Burns	10
18	000030	**Petit** (P. Asquith), Asquith, 8-11	M. Eatwell 7	4

5-2 Mac's Imperial, 4-1 Highfield Jet, 11-2 Quarry Bank, 8-1 Maymonta, 10-1 African Vision, 12-1 Petit, 14-1 No Lady, 20-1 others.

2.30 DERWENT HANDICAP (2-y-o: £1,679: 6f)

2	012022	**Proper Madam** (P. Asquith), Asquith, 9-4	S. Perks	6
3	003043	**Yat Ding Fat** (W. Tang), S. Supple, 9-3	A. Cousins	1
4	140	**Sams Call** (H. Attwood), P. Rohan, 9-1	C. Dwyer	9
5	1000	**New Fangled** (H. Fernandes), T. Fairhurst, 8-13	N. Crowther 5	8
7	043042	**Hughenden** (Mrs M. Cowan), G. P-Hoblyn, 8-13	I. Johnson	4
8	31002	**Norton Legend** (Maj J. Linley), M. H. Easterby, 8-11	M. Birch	7
9	40003	**Glen Caron** (C. Spence), M. W. Easterby, 8-5	J. Lowe	2
11	000	**Spanish Visit** (Lady Macdonald-Buchanan), M. Prescott, 8-1	G. Duffield	3

7-4 Proper Madam, 100-30 Yat Ding Fat, 5-1 Norton Legend, 13-2 Sams Call, 8-1 Hugenden, 10-1 New Fangled, 12-1 Spanish Visit, 16-1 others.

3.0 DAILY MIRROR BELLE HANDICAP (£966: 1m)

1	0120-14	**Atoka** (D) (Mrs C. Tinkler), C. Tinkler, 5-10-4	Mrs M. Tinkler	1
2	0-11343	**Bertie Me Boy** (H. Timm), M. H. Easterby, 5-10-0	Miss C. Easterby 7	11
4	112033	**Prince Titian** (D) (Mrs W. Sulke), R. Houghton, 3-9-2	Mrs G. Johnson Houghton	3
5	004010	**Abyssinia** (B,CD) (R. Ellis), A. Pitt, 4-8-13	Miss B. Sanders	4
7	0-21440	**Gallie Craig** (W. Russell), P. Rohan, 3-8-11	Miss D. Bissill	8
8	002000	**Mahar** (D) (J. Harrison), J. Calvert, 4-8-8	—	13
9	3-02101	**Galadriel** (D) (R. O'Driscoll), D. Kent, 7-8-8	Miss Z. Pratt	6
15	00-0040	**Balranald** (D) (A. Kiddie), H. Westbrook, 6-8-7	Miss J. Woodward 7	5
17	323030	**Chicago Jane** (D) (J. Irvine), S. Nesbitt, 3-8-7	Miss S. Almond 7	7
19	002014	**Sylvan d'Or** (D) (Mrs S. Gribben), R. Hobson, 5-8-7	Miss D. Young	9
20	00-	**C Minor** (W. Holden), Holden, 5-8-7	Miss C. Kufurster 7	12
22		**Spanish Lamp** (M. Roddan), K. Mitchard, 4-8-7	Miss K. Barlow 7	2
25	000-000	**Holly Doll** (Miss P. Radford), O. Brennan, 4-8-7	Miss P. Radford 7	10

11-4 Galadriel, 100-30 Prince Titian, 4-1 Atoka, 13-2 Bertie Me Boy, 9-1 Abyssinia, 10-1 Gallie Craig, 14-1 Mahar, 16-1 Sylvan d'Or, 20-1 others.

3.30 GLAISDALE HANDICAP (£1,410: 5f)

2	4-04000	**Primula Boy** (D) (Kavli), J. W. Watts, 5-10-0	J. Lowe	12
5	004022	**Ravelston** (D) (Mrs J. McDougald), I. Balding, 4-9-7	J. Matthias	5
6	400003	**Song's First** (B,D) (Mrs F. Morley), S. Nesbitt, 6-9-1	A. Nesbitt 7	10
7	00-0000	**Yoohoo** (D) (Mrs C. Wright), C. Booth, 4-9-0	G. Oldroyd	7
10	3301-00	**Fingora** (D) (W. C. Watts), Watts, 5-8-11	F. Postill 7	8
11	200322	**Haberdasher** (B,D) (Sir B. Waley-Cohen), G. P-Hoblyn, 6-8-11	T. Johnson	6
13	000233	**Double Secret** (D) (R. Nairn), M. H. Easterby, 4-8-10	M. Birch	14
14	200100	**The Verger** (D. Gray), S. Supple, 5-8-6	A. Cousins	1
15	132131	**Thorganby** (B,D) (Sir J. Eastwood), B. Hobson, 3-8-6	M. Hobson 7	13
16	000-000	**Seafields** (D) (M. Reddan), K. Mitchard, 4-8-5	—	15
17	30-0050	**Friendly Fun** (D) (R. Murray), N. Crump, 3-8-5	C. Eccleston	4
21	0-00300	**Fair Dandy** (D) (T. Justice), W. Haigh, 8-8-1	C. Dwyer	2
24	000000	**Young Stan** (B,CD) (H. Jones), Hbt Jones, 3-7-9	R. Quinn 7	9
25	000000	**Brians Star** (J. Wilson), A. Balding, 3-7-8	S. Lawes 7	3
26	00-0	**Cessy** (B) (J. Meehan), D. Doyle, 6-7-7	L. C. Parkes	11

11-1 Ravelston, 4-1 Haberdasher, 11-2 Thorganby, 6-1 Primula Boy, 9-1 Fingora, 10-1 Double Secret, 12-1 Song's First, 14-1 The Verger, 20-1 others.

4.0 MIDDLETON STAKES (£1,386: 1¾m 160yd)

4	00021	**Crystal Coach** (H. Joel), H. Cecil, 3-8-12	J. Matthias	1
6	00-0201	**Groovy Granny** (CD) (R. Sangster), B. Hills, 3-8-9	P. D'Arcy 7	2

4-5 Crystal Coach, evens Groovy Granny.

4.30 CLEVELAND HANDICAP (£1,305: 1¼m)

2	301231	**Hot Shot** (CD) (W. C. Watts), Watts, 6-9-11	K. Nicholls 7	10
3	0300	**Ortolano** (D) (Mrs M. Clark), R. D. Peacock, 6-9-2	—	11
5	004-000	**Forest and Vale** (Mrs E. Tebbutt), W. Elsey, 3-8-12	J. Lowe	12
6	141321	**Priestcroft Boy** (C. Norman), M. H. Easterby, 5-8-11	M. Birch	4
8	4-04201	**Two Bells** (D. Linsley), Denys Smith, 6-8-6	J. Bleasdale	3
9	2144-03	**Placid Pet** (Miss S. Evans), N. Callaghan, 4-8-5	—	7
10	0-00100	**Grey Magic** (C. Platts), Miss S. Hall, 3-8-4	—	6
11	0000-00	**The Sergeant** (C) (D. Faulkner), E. Carr, 6-8-3	C. Dwyer	1
14	000-000	**Saintly Lady** (W. Kirby), P. Asquith, 3-7-13	S. Perks	2
15	02-003	**Four Johns** (J. Oswald), W. H. Williams, 4-7-13	—	5
16	0000-00	**Treble Event** (B) (L. Norman), J. Calvert, 4-7-11	S. Salmon	9
17	00000-1	**Good Form** (B. Hawkswell), M. H. Easterby, 3-7-8	C. Eccleston	2

2-1 Priestcroft Boy, 100-30 Placid Pet, 5-1 Two Bells, 13-2 Grey Magic, 8-1 Good Form, 10-1 Ortolano, 12-1 Hot Shot, 16-1 others.

5.0 SOUTH DURHAM STAKES (2-y-o fillies: £1,131: 6f)

1		**Abbeydale** (Mrs A. Sutton), J. W. Watts, 8-11	J. Lowe	6
2		**Assel Zawie** (Mrs T. Wade), M. Prescott, 8-11	G. Duffield	12
7		**Cool Dawn** (G. Reed), C. Thornton, 8-11	J. Bleasdale	7
8	03	**Devon May** (J. Clark), J. A. Turner, 8-11	N. Crowther 5	8
9	0	**Elegant Jill** (T. Herring), E. Carr, 8-11	C. Moss	5
10	040	**Final Request** (Mrs A. Sheddon), P. Asquith, 8-11	S. Perks	4
11		**Fine Honey** (R. Howe), S. Wainwright, 8-11	C. Dwyer	16
12	043003	**Firbeck** (B) (Mrs D. Rothwell), A. Balding, 8-11	J. Balding	10
13		**Gay Walk** (W. Barker), Miss S. Hall, 8-11	M. Birch	15
15	00	**Lorenzas** (R. Dewhirst), W. Elsey, 8-11	B. Hedley	17
21	04	**Nelly Ayre** (Lady Muriess), Denys Smith, 8-11	P. Tulk	13
23	0	**Owenansea** (Mrs A. Chambers), B. Wilkinson, 8-11	—	1
25	4	**Renovation** (R. Heaton), E. Weymes, 8-11	S. Webster	2
26	022	**Sallusteno** (N. Chapman), J. Calvert, 8-11	G. Sexton	14
27	0002	**Sara Kelly** (B. Snooks), C. Blum, 8-11	P. Madden	11
32	0	**Vinovia** (A. Giles), S. Nesbitt, 8-11	G. Moore	9
33	403	**Winning Shot** (Mrs B. Firestone), I. Balding, 8-11	J. Matthias	3

7-4 Winning Shot, 3-1 Sara Kelly, 5-1 Sallusteno, 13-2 Renovation, 7-1 Nelly Ayre, 10-1 Firbeck, 12-1 Abbeydale, 16-1 others.
*Doubtful runner

Lingfield Park programme

6.0 DEVILS GALLOP STAKES (2-y-o: £1,541: 6f)

3	1	**Shack** (D), R. Houghton, 9-2	J. Reid	7
6	0030	**Gosport,** D. Whelan, 8-11	G. Lewis	6
12	0	**Speed Bonnie Boat,** H. Price, 8-11	B. Taylor	4
16	04	**Torbay Express,** Mrs R. Lomax, 8-11	R. Curant	3
18	0	**Young Man,** P. Kelleway, 8-11	G. Starkey	2
21		**Birwood Lad,** G. Balding, 8-7	R. Weaver	1
24		**Penicuik,** P. Mitchell, 8-7	B. Rouse	8
28		**Louise,** W. H.-Bass, 8-4	D. McKay	5

15-8 Shack, 11-4 Gosport, 9-2 Torbay Express, 13-2 Speed Bonnie Boat, 10-1 Young Man, 14-1 others.

6.25 DAY BY DAY HANDICAP (3-y-o: £2,485: 1¼m)

2	011-002	**Effulgence,** H. Price, 10-0	B. Taylor	8
4	12-0	**Economy Drive,** R. Houghton, 9-9	J. Reid	5
5	00-0210	**Top of the Class** (C), B. Hills, 9-4	—	3
6	411032	**Old Cosimos** (D), B. Hanbury, 9-3	—	1
8	421314	**Hashofet** (C-D), A. Ingham, 9-1	G. Lewis	4
9	0-40000	**Sandfleet,** P. Kelleway, 8-11	G. Starkey	2
10	112-000	**Main Ingredient,** P. Cole, 8-10	S. Eccles	6
11	3-00120	**Haddfan,** J. Dunlop, 8-9	R. Muddle 5	7

7-4 Effulgence, 3-1 Old Cosimos, 9-2 Haddfan, 7-1 Top of the Class, 10-1 Hashofet, 12-1 Economy Drive, 16-1 others.

6.50 LAKER AIRWAYS ANNIVERSARY HANDICAP (2-y-o: £1,699: 5f)

1	0122	**Go Skytrain** (D), R. Smyth, 9-7	G. Lewis	8
2	200340	**Mr Minstrel** (B,D), E. Reavey, 9-6	J. Reid	1
3	2104	**Foreign Intrigue** (D), I. Balding, 9-1	G. Starkey	6
4	41020	**The Razor** (D), T. Marshall, 9-1	D. McKay	7
5	21000	**City Link Lass** (D), P. Ashworth, 9-0	B. Rouse	5
6	03121	**Cockney Rebel** (D), P. Cole, 9-0	S. Eccles	2
9	003	**Paul Stuart,** H. Price, 8-11	B. Taylor	3
11	0040	**Saucy Melody,** W. Wightman, 8-6	P. Eddery	4

2-1 Go Skytrain, 11-4 Cockney Rebel, 4-1 Foreign Intrigue, 13-2 The Razor, 10-1 Mr Minstrel, 12-1 City Link Lass, 16-1 others.

7.20 SOUTHERNER STAKES (2-y-o: £890: 6f)

1	00	**Ben's The Boy,** L. Holt, 8-11	R. Weaver	1
2	0032	**Gold Amber,** T. Marshall, 8-11	D. McKay	5
3	0000	**Agnetha,** R. Akehurst, 8-8	R. Curant	2
4	0003	**My Flywheel,** D. Jermy, 8-8	—	6
12	0200	**Sparkler Supreme** (B), P. Ashworth, 8-8	B. Rouse	4
13	440002	**Strait September,** R. Smyth, 8-3	G. Starkey	3
14	00004	**Tollers Rose** (B), A. Davison, 8-3	P. Eddery	7

13-8 Gold Amber, 11-4 Strait September, 9-2 Sparkler Supreme, 13-2 My Flywheel, 8-1 Tollers Rose, 14-1 others.

7.50 SOUTHSPORT HANDICAP (£1,259: 2m)

3	1-02030	**Matinale** (D), B. Hills, 5-9-10	—	3
5	303111	**Amerian** (CD), R. Houghton, 5-8-9	J. Reid	4
10	244124	**Hill Station** (CD), M. Bolton, 6-8-0	M. Roberts	5
11	30-0341	**Mill Street** (D), P. Walwyn, 3-7-13	B. Rouse	2
14	000	**Quiet,** E. Beeson, 7-7-8	D. McKay	1

11-8 Amerian, 5-2 Mill Street, 4-1 Hill Station, 11-2 Matinale, 10-1 Quiet.

8.20 SPEARHEAD STAKES (3-y-o fillies: £1,000: 1½m)

6	000	**China Wedding** (B), M. Haynes, 8-11	—	9
7	00-00	**Clara Petacci,** H. Price, 8-11	B. Taylor	11
8	00-	**Combe Grove Lady,** P. Cole, 8-11	S. Eccles	12
10		**Crex Crex,** Mrs D. Oughton, 8-11	R. Fox	2
12	00030-0	**Flashing Smile,** Pat Mitchell, 8-11	—	6
15	033020	**Kye-Hye** (B), H. Wragg, 8-11	G. Lewis	8
19	000-000	**Mont Mere,** T. Marshall, 8-11	D. McKay	10
21	00-0200	**Noli-Rate** (B), P. Arthur, 8-11	P. Eddery	3
22	20204-3	**Noor,** M. Masson, 8-11	A. Bond	4
24	0	**Ocean Victory,** P. M. Taylor, 8-11	R. Woolard 7	7
25	0-0033	**Split Personality,** I. Balding, 8-11	G. Starkey	5
29	000000	**Trojans Centenary,** W. Wightman, 8-11	B. Rouse	1

15-8 Split Personality, 11-4 Noor, 9-2 Kye-Hye, 7-1 Noli-Rate, 13-1 Flashing Smile, Clara Petacci, 16-1 others.

Lingfield Park selections

By Our Racing Correspondent
6.0 Shack. 6.25 EFFULGENCE is specially recommended. 6.50 Go Skytrain. 7.20 Strait September. 7.50 Mill Street. 8.20 Noor.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent
6.0 Louise. 6.25 Old Cosimos. 8.20 Kye-Hye.

Newmarket programme

3.30 BARROW STAKES (2-y-o: £865: 7f)

2	00	**Mick's Throwout** (Miss T. Macdonald), N. Callaghan, 8-11		7
3	003024	**Spanish Philip** (D. Page), W. Marshall, 8-11	R. Marshall	4
5	00	**Beaumel Pies** (G. Blum), Blum, 8-8	—	8
6		**Greasby Girl** (A. Pilley), P. Haslam, 8-8	B. Jago	2
8	0042	**I'm Blessed** (B) (B. Kremer), K. Ivory, 8-8	G. Ramshaw	3
9	00	**Lottie Lehmann** (Lt-Col G. Illingworth), B. Hills, 8-8	—	5
11	000	**Right Eclipse** (A. Thompkins), P. Cole, 8-8	—	6
12	00	**Sari Girl** (Mrs S. du Buisson), B. Hobbs, 8-8	—	1

9-4 Lottie Lehmann, 7-2 Mick's Throwout, 4-1 I'm Blessed, 11-2 Sari Girl, 6-1 Spanish Philip, 12-1 others.

4.0 ISLEHAM STAKES (2-y-o: £1,707: 5f)

201	3	**Alert** (C. Elliot), C. Brittain, 9-0	—	5
202	000030	**Chinese Kung Fu** (Mrs R. Tang), S. Supple, 9-0	—	8
203	0340	**Dragoman** (B) (D. Hamilton), C. Bewicke, 9-0	J. Mercer	4
204	00200	**Footsjie** (Mrs H. van der Ploeg), W. Marshall, 9-0	R. Marshall	7
206	0	**Heywood Hardy** (R. Green), R. Jarvis, 9-0	M. Thomas	9
208	00	**Sovereign Seeker** (J. Pearce), Doug Smith, 9-0	—	6
211		**The Beeches** (S. Pickard), J. Winter, 9-0	—	10
212	004004	**Willydoo** (J. Robinson), W. Marshall, 9-0	—	11
213		**Alicia Markova** (J. Mitchell), M. Stoute, 8-11	—	1
214		**Another Decision** (I. Thoday), R. Armstrong, 8-11	—	2
216		**Dusk Lady** (R. Sangster), B. Hills, 8-11	—	3

6-4 Alert, 3-1 Dusk Lady, 4-1 Alicia Markova, 8-1 Another Decision, 12-1 Dragoman, 14-1 Heywood Hardy, 16-1 others.

4.30 WATERHALL HANDICAP (£1,935: 2m 24yd)

301	1334-32	**The Tista** (S. Powell), S. Mellor, 5-10-0	L. Piggott	4
302	1-02030	**Matinale** (Mrs O. Thurston), B. Hills, 5-10-0	—	1
303	00-3132	**Nation Wide** (BF) (H. Wragg), Wragg, 5-9-7	—	2
304	0-2421	**Milsson** (L. Freedman), H. Cecil, 4-9-3	J. Mercer	3
305	04-0002	**Le Pretendant** (C) (Mrs V. Rhodes), C. Dingwall, 4-7-9	M. Roberts	5

6-4 The Tista, 2-1 Nation Wide, 4-1 Milsson, 11-2 Matinale, 16-1 Le Pretendant.

5.0 RICHMOND HANDICAP (2-y-o: £2,054: 7f)

401	01114	**Cap Ferrat** (Normans of Westminster Ltd), J. W. Watts, 9-7	A. Mercer 5	3
402	0121	**Laldheer** (B) (C. Gaventa), R. Armstrong, 9-4	—	4
403	034223	**English Gem** (D. Page), W. Marshall, 8-7	R. Marshall	2
407	002	**Donegal Prince** (J. McGonagle), P. Kelleway, 8-4	—	7
408	324244	**Sierionia** (A. Hutley), W. Marshall, 8-4	—	5
409	402	**Jeanne du Barry** (S. Thompson), P. Haslam, 8-3	—	6
410	04000	**Prince Helen** (S. Agodino), A. Goodwill, 7-7	—	1

5-4 Laldheer, 5-2 Cap Ferrat, 9-2 Donegal Prince, 8-1 Jeanne du Barry, 12-1 others.

5.30 MILDENHALL STAKES (£1,672: 1¼m)

501	24-0400	**Snow Barron** (N. Phillips), J. Nelson, 4-9-5	—	5
502	00-00	**Amber River** (B) (L. Kenrick), N. Callaghan, 4-9-1	—	4
505	0-00014	**Calatena** (A. Clogg), P. Cole, 3-8-5	—	8
506	00-0004	**Christmas Girl** (D. Byford), W. Marshall, 3-8-5	—	7
507	4341	**The Gascon** (Sir P. Oppenheimer), H. Wragg, 3-8-5	J. Mercer	1
508	320002	**Fleur de Flandre** (W. Marshall), Marshall, 4-8-4	R. Marshall	3
510	0-01000	**Take Aim** (B) (J. W. Watts), Watts, 3-8-4	J. Swales 7	6
515	0	**Young Colonial** (A. Pilley), P. Haslam, 3-7-7	—	2

2-1 The Gascon, 11-4 Calatena, 4-1 Fleur de Flandre, 8-1 Take Aim, 7-1 Christmas Girl, 12-1 others.

6.0 SAXHAM HANDICAP (£1,685: 6f)

601	220340	**Marching On** (CD) (Lady Macdonald-Buchanan), M. Prescott, 4-10-0	C. Nutter 5	10
602	000210	**Overseas Admirer** (D) (Mrs S. Burley), J. Winter, 4-9-13	—	4
603	0-30340	**Blessed Soandso** (D,B) (Capt M. Lemos), C. Brittain, 3-9-13	—	2
604	200-002	**Unella** (D) (A. Wallis), W. O'Gorman, 4-9-10	W. O'Gorman	6
605	034443	**Murrmatch** (Maj J. Rubin), R. Hannon, 6-9-9	—	5
607	040-026	**Breathing Exercise** (D) (Lewis Cowan 'TA' Ltd), P. Arthur, 5-9-4	—	8
610	202034	**Beaufort Street** (D) (E. Stevens), A. Dalton, 7-8-10	—	7
611	01-0213	**Careless Princess** (D) (E. Hill), C. Benstead, 4-8-9	—	9
612	1-00130	**Heavenly Choir** (D) (J. Richardson), D. Weeden, 4-8-7	—	3
613	000-000	**Swing South** (C. Blum), Blum, 4-7-7	—	1

7-2 Overseas Admirer, 4-1 Unella, 9-2 Careless Princess, 5-1 Murrmatch, 7-1 Marching On, 10-1 Heavenly Choir, 12-1 Blessed Soandso, 14-1 others.

6.30 NAT FLATMAN STAKES (£1,524: 1m)

3		**Zagros** (Ld Tavistock), C. Bewicke, 4-9-0	—	10
5	0-00	**McNicholas** (B) (R. Khan), C. Brittain, 3-8-7	—	7
8	00-00	**Royal Tiger** (C. Elliott), C. Brittain, 3-8-7	—	13
10	0/0	**Arctic Antics** (J. Morgan), R. Boss, 3-8-4	S. Young	8
11		**Bail** (C. Dingwall), Dingwall, 3-8-4	S. Bennett	2
12	000-044	**Boltingo** (G. Stewart), R. Jarvis, 3-8-4	—	1
13	043-403	**Charlotte's Girl** (Sir C. Clore), P. Cole, 3-8-4	—	6
14	000-020	**Honey Harfat** (D. Grey), R. Armstrong, 3-8-4	—	9
15	0-04230	**Lady Whitefoot** (Mrs M. Marks), M. Jarvis, 3-8-4	—	4
16	0004-00	**Landa's Friend** (B) (G. Dawes), P. Ashworth, 3-8-4	K. Pinnington	2
17	00000-0	**Lila** (Kalifa Sasi), R. Armstrong, 3-8-4	—	11
19	0-	**One Asma** (O. Zawawi), J. Hindley, 3-8-4	—	5
20	0-00	**Val d'Or** (R. Spencer-Churchill), W. Holden, 3-8-4	—	3

11-4 Charlotte's Girl, 7-2 Boltingo, 4-1 Lady Whitefoot, 5-1 Honey Harfat, 8-1 One Asma, 10-1 others.

Newmarket selections

By Our Racing Correspondent
3.30 Mick's Throwout. 4.0 Sovereign Seeker. 4.30 The Tista. 5.0 Donegal Prince. 5.30 The Gascon. 6.0 Overseas Admirer. 6.30 Honey Harfat.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent
3.30 Sari Girl. 4.0 Sovereign Seeker. 4.30 Nation Wide. 5.0 Laldheer. 5.30 The Gascon. 6.0 Overseas Admirer.

Redcar selections

By Our Racing Correspondent
2.0 Mac's Imperial. 2.30 Proper Madam. 3.0 Galadriel. 3.30 Thorganby. 4.0 Crystal Coach. 4.30 Placid Pet. 5.0 Winning Shot.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent
2.0 African Vision. 2.30 Spanish Visit. 3.0 Balranald. 4.30 Placid Pet. 5.0 Sara Kelly.

Commonwealth Games

Foster's task made easier by Rono

From Cliff Temple
Athletics Correspondent
Aug 3

Brendan Foster may perhaps be relieved to hear that the name H. Rono does not, after all, appear in the official entry for the 10,000 metres at the Commonwealth Games, published yesterday. Instead, the 20-strong field for Sunday's straight final shows the three Kenyan entrants as Joel Cheruiyot, Michael Musyoki and Alfred Nyansi, with Rono, the world record breaker at four events this season, confining his activities in Edmonton to the 3,000 metres steeplechase and 5,000 metres.

Although Foster has never been one to duck a challenge, his task will now be somewhat easier, but by no means easy. Musyoki, for instance, was ranked sixth in the world at 10,000 metres last year with 27 minutes 41.9 seconds, just one-tenth of a second faster than the New Zealander Dick Quax.

The biggest individual entry in the games comes in the men's 400 metres, with 46 starters, a large contingent of whom were in action at the final warm-up meeting in the Commonwealth stadium on Wednesday. Roger Jenkins, of Scotland, won his heat of the 400 metres in 47.27 seconds, while his brother David, struggling to overcome a bad patch, was the fastest winner of five 300 metres heats, recording 33.3 seconds. But when he runs the full distance, his troubles do not usually arrive until the 300 metres mark. Second fastest man of the day was England's Richard Ashton, who has made remarkable progress this summer, and won his heat in 33.51 seconds.

The meeting, closed to the public and accompanied by a good deal of microphone testing, hammering and buzz-sawing, as workmen put the final touches to the stadium ready for the next day's opening ceremony at least gave the athletes a chance to compete at a relatively low level on the games track.

The English women's 4 x 100 metres relay team, thanks to a fine last leg by Sonia Lannaman, went successfully through their paces, beating the strong Canadian team in 43.91 seconds. The Englishmen were less happy, finishing fourth and last in their race in 40.17 seconds.

A final 200 metres in 26 seconds by John Robson, of Scotland, won him a 2,000 metres event in a modest 5min 17.93sec, over ten seconds slower than Richard Tuwei recorded in a second race at the distance. Tuwei, a relatively unknown Kenyan, runs in the games 1,500 metres, and showed particular spirit in holding off the Australian, David Fitzsimmons, in the home straight to win in 5min 6.32sec.

Berwyn Price, of Wales, gained a psychological boost by defeating the New Zealander, Ross Pownall, in the 110 metres hurdles in 14.16sec. In a similar meeting two days earlier, Pownall had run a faster time than Price, in a separate race, and their clash was viewed with particular interest by those with an eye for changing form in the final days.

Not everyone went away happy. The United Kingdom record holder, Brian Hooper, failed to clear a height in the pole vault, which was won at 16ft 8¾in by Canada's Bruce Simpson. It is a level which Hooper ought to be able to clear almost with one hand now, but with only nine competitors in the Games entry at least the competition will not need as long to complete as some Olympic contests have been known to.

Peter Hoffmann, of Scotland, was a disappointing seventh and last in his 600 metres race in 1min 19.34sec. In fourth place was 17-year-old Stephen Cram, of England who acquitted himself well with 1min 18.65sec, over six seconds faster than he had previously run for the distance.

Almost unnoticed in the huge, practically empty stadium, the high jumper, Mark Naylor of England won his competition with a clearance of 7ft 0¾in in an eight-man international field. A rarity for any Briton to do that, but nonetheless welcome. If Scotland's Brian Burgess cleared the same height two days earlier (although he managed only 6ft 8¾in this time), hopes of a medal for the home countries are valid, despite the fact that only twice since the Games began in 1930 has any Briton won a men's high jump medal, with the most recent being Alan Paterson's silver in 1950.

Bowlers need faster greens to help bias

From John Hennessy
Edmonton, Aug 3

If there is one survivor from the days of the British Empire at the Commonwealth Games it is surely the game of bowls. Here, in Edmonton, the bowls fraternity seem almost a world away from the sweat shirt ant-heap of the Olympic village, tucked away as they are in the North-west corner of the city in the Sylvan tranquillity of Coronation Park.

The South Africans and the Rhodesians are no longer around, but otherwise it is like old times for the various teams, in many cases settlers from distant parts enjoying a four-year reunion. There must have been nearly a hundred bowlers practising their art in yesterday's golden sunshine (a welcome contrast to the wind and cold of the day before), but I saw only three black players, and one of them, a sad-looking man from Papua/New Guinea, was only a reserve, reduced, while I watched at least, to straightening up the jack and giving an indication of shot wood. The nominated seven members of the team were white, drawn from a field of no more than 200.

Not that anything here should be construed as hinting at colour prejudice. As one Kenyan explained: "They could come in any time, but they don't seem to be interested. It's too slow for them." He is probably right, because the gentle subtleties, if not the seductive curves, seem at odds with African volatility.

David Bryant, the England singles player, is a man of much renown, but there was no star treatment for him. If one were to pick out the best player in the world (as England claim he is) from all those in action yesterday (right-handers, incidentally, to a man) Bryant would possibly be the last. His action seems to flout all the rules. There is such a pronounced twist of the wrist at the full extent of the backswing that the back of the hand is facing the jack. Another twist on the forward swing brings the hand to face the target only just in the nick of time, it seems.

Apparently he has not been in peak form here and, for what it is worth, he was beaten 21—20 in a practice match with Malcolm Hughes, skip of England's four. Bryant carries a cloth in his left hand for wiping the bowl (only in England, it seems, is "wood" still in vogue), but on a heavenly day such as this it was nothing more than a mannerism, much like a child incapable of going to sleep without a treasured old handkerchief or piece of blanket to fondle.

Bryant draws his right foot high into the air after bowling and regards the receding wood (well, New Printing House Square is in England), with something approaching a myopic sneer. Hughes is much more ebullient, following every wood with a skip and a bounce and a jump and a chassé and a glide that suggests devotion to sequence dancing. Bryant, I was told, was finding it difficult to bowl to a consistent length, whereupon, facing "two and a measure" (ie two, possible three, against), he rolled up his final wood to a few inches and took the shot.

There was much technical talk about the pace of the greens, during which Hughes, an amiable instrument artificer from Hartlepool, was kind enough to lead this innocent abroad by the hand. It appears they have been much too slow up to now, but yesterday we had an "eleven or twelve second green". This refers to the time taken for a 30 yards bowl. United Kingdom teams would prefer a slightly faster green, which would, oddly enough, increase the time to, say 13 seconds.

The paradox is explained by the fact that the faster the green the slower the initial impetus. Just as a putt on a slow green requires a thump, so a wood on a slow green must be launched with some muscle. It follows that the faster the green the greater the swing, since the bias has that much longer to exert its influence. Hughes looks for a swing of five to six feet.

The disc applied to each wood to distinguish them one from another also gave cause for concern. An Australian voice, suitably paraphrased for a family newspaper, cried, "We're all bowling wrong bias with these wretched discs". Even Bryant once got the bias wrong. It did the heart of one rabbit good to know that experts fall into the same trap, whatever the reason.

The average seemed to be a weather-beaten, as I would guess Wales seemed to have the youngest man so far as I could see, in Raymond Williams. He is 29, with the build of a front row forward and a preference for full back. He is the Welsh singles champion, but here he is their pairs lead. Ian Sutherland, on the other hand a genuine Welshman in spite of his name), is six inches taller and has the figure of a question mark. Bowls players, then, come in all shapes and sizes.

Edmonton have invested half a million dollars (Canadian, of course) on the bowling complex, which includes four greens and a clubhouse. They are using grass with an ominous ring—Penarcross Creeping Bent Grass, which suggests all sorts of misdemeanours culled from the Mounties' manual. The Friendly Games may have their first test of integrity right here.

Programme of events at the Commonwealth Games

Athletics

August 6
10.0
Hammer, men (qualifying if necessary)
Pentathlon (shot)
10 30
Pentathlon (100m hurdles)
400m, women, heats
400m, men, first round (if necessary)
100m, men, first round (if necessary)
1.15
Pentathlon (high jump, long jump)
Hammer, men, final
Discus, women (qualifying if necessary)
2.30
110m hurdles, men, heats
100m, women, heats
400m, men, second round
400m, women, semi-final
100m, men, second round
100m, women, semi-final
Pentathlon (800m)
10,000m, final
110m hurdles, men, semi-final
3,000m steeplechase, heats

August 7
10.30
Decathlon (100m)
400m, men, semi-finals
11.30
Decathlon (long jump, shot)
3.15
Decathlon (high jump)
Discus, women, final
4.0
110m hurdles, men, final
400m, women, final
400m, men, final
100m, men, semi-final
Decathlon (400m)
3,000m steeplechase, final
100m, women, final
100m, men, final
3,000m, women, final

August 8
10.30
Decathlon (110m hurdles)
800m, men, heats
800m, women, heats
400m hurdles, men, first round
200m, men, first round
200m, women, heats
10.30
Shot, women, qualifying
Long jump, men, qualifying
High jump, men, qualifying
Decathlon (pole vault, discus)
3.0
200m, women, semi-finals
200m, men, second round
800m, men, semi-finals
800m, women, semi-finals
400m hurdles, men, semi-finals
30km walk
5,000m, heats
Decathlon (1,500m)
Shot, women, final
Decathlon (javelin)

August 10
10 0
Discus, men, qualifying
Javelin, women, qualifying
High jump, women, qualifying
Long jump, women, qualifying
Pole vault, men, qualifying
5.0
200m, men, semi-finals
100m hurdles, women, heats
800m, women, final
800m, men, final
400m hurdles, men, final
200m, women, final
200m, men, final
100m hurdles, women, semi-finals
5,000m, final
Javelin, women, final
High jump, men, final
Long jump, men, final

August 11
11.0
Javelin, men, qualifying
Triple jump, qualifying
Shot, men, qualifying
6 00
100m hurdles, women, final
Marathon
4x400m, men, semi-finals
4x400m, women, semi-finals
1,500m, women, heats
4x100m, men, heats
4x100m, women, heats
1,500m, men, heats
5.30
Pole vault, final
High jump, women, final
Discus, men, final
Long jump, women, final

August 12
2.0
4x100m, women, final
4x100m, men, final
1,500m, women, final
1,500m, men, final
4x400m, women, final
4x400m, men, final
Shot, men, final
Triple jump, men, final
Javelin, men, final

Badminton

August 4
1.30 Team, preliminary round
7.30 Team, preliminary round

August 5
1.30 Team, preliminary round
7.30 Team, preliminary round

August 6
1.30 Team, finals
7.30 Team, finals

August 8
1.30 Individual, preliminary round
7.30 Individual, preliminary round

August 9
1.30 Individual, preliminary round
7.30 Individual, preliminary round

August 10
1.30 Quarter-final and semi-final
7.30 Semi-final

August 11
1.30 Bronze play off
7.30 Individual, finals

Bowls

August 4
9 0 Fours, pairs, singles
2.0 Fours, pairs, singles

August 5
9.0 Fours, pairs, singles
2.0 Fours, pairs, singles

August 6
9 0 Fours, pairs, singles
2.0 Fours, pairs, singles

August 7
9.0 Fours, pairs, singles
2.0 Fours, pairs, singles

August 8
9 0 Fours, pairs, singles
2.0 Fours, pairs, singles

August 9
9.0 Fours, pairs, singles
2.0 Fours, pairs, singles

August 10
9 0 Fours, pairs, singles
2.0 Fours, pairs, singles

August 11
9.0 Fours, pairs, singles, finals

Boxing

Preliminary rounds: August 4 (7.30); August 5 (2.0 and 7.30); August 6 (2.0 and 7.30); August 7 (2.0 and 7.30); August 8 (7.30).
Semi-finals: August 9 (2.0 and 7.30).
Finals: August 11 (7.30).

Cycling

August 4
7.30 Individual time trial

August 5
2.0 Sprint, qualifying round
4,000m individual pursuit, qualifying round
7.30 Sprint, qualifying round
Repechages, sprints
4,000m individual pursuit, quarter finals

August 6
2.0 Sprint, quarter finals and semi-finals
4,000m individual pursuit, semi-finals

August 7
7.30 Sprint, final
4,000m individual pursuit, final

August 8
7.30 4,000m team pursuit, qualifying round and quarter finals
Tandem sprint, qualifying rounds and repechages

August 9
2.0 4,000m team pursuit, semi-finals
Tandem sprint, semi-finals
10-mile, heats

August 10
8.0 4,000m team pursuit, final
Tandem sprint, final
10-mile, final

August 12
7.0 Road race, 117 miles

Gymnastics

August 6
2.0 Team competition, women, final (side horse, vault, balance beam, uneven parallel bars, floor exercise)

August 7
7.0 Team competition, men, final (floor exercise, pommel horse, still rings, long horse vault, parallel bars, horizontal bar)

August 8
7.0 Individual all round competition, women, final

August 9
7.0 Individual all round competition, men, final

Rifle shooting

August 5
9.30 clay pigeon
1.0 free pistol, final

August 6
9.30 Clay pigeon, final
1.0 Smallbore rifle, prone

August 7
9.30 Smallbore rifle, prone, final
12.0 Rapid fire pistol

August 8
9.30 Skeet
12 0 Rapid fire pistol, final

August 9
9.30 Skeet, final
1.0 Full bore rifle, Palomino range, Calgary

August 10
9.0 Full bore rifle, final, Palomino range, Calgary

Swimming

August 4
1.30
4x100m free-style relay, men, heats
100m free-style, women, heats
400m individual medley, men, heats
200m individual medley, women, heats
200m free-style, men, heats
3.0
Springboard diving, women, preliminary round
7.0
200m backstroke, men, heats
200m breaststroke, women, heats
4x100m free-style relay, men, final
800m free-style, women, heats
100m free-style, women, final
8.30
Springboard diving, women, preliminary round

August 5
1.30
4x100m free-style relay, women, heats
100m free-style, men, heats
200m breaststroke, women, final
400m individual medley, men, final
200m individual medley, women, final
3.0
Springboard diving, men, preliminary round
7 0
200m free-style, men, final
800m free-style, women, final
200m breaststroke, men, heats
200m butterfly, men, heats
4x100m free-style relay, women, final
8 30
Springboard diving, women, final

August 6
1.30
400m free-style, men, heats
100m butterfly, women, heats
200m individual medley, men, heats
200m free-style, women, heats
200m backstroke, men, final
3.0
Springboard diving, men, preliminary round
7.0
100m free-style, men, final
100m backstroke, women, heats
200m butterfly, men, final
100m butterfly, women, final
4x200m free-style relay, men, heats
8.30
Springboard diving, men, final

August 7
1.30
4x100m medley relay, women, heats
200m individual medley, men, final
100m breaststroke, women, heats
100m butterfly, men, heats
100m backstroke, women, final
3.0
Highboard diving, women, preliminary round
7.0
400m free-style, men, final
200m free-style, women, final
200m breaststroke, men, final
200m butterfly, women, heats
4x200m free-style relay, men, final
8.30
Highboard diving, women, final

August 8
1.30
4x100m medley relay, men, heats
400m individual medley, women, heats
100m backstroke, men, heats
200m backstroke, women, heats
100m breaststroke, men, heats
2.0
Highboard diving, men, preliminary round
7.0
400m free-style, women, heats
200m butterfly, women, final
100m butterfly, men, final
1,500m free-style, men, heats
4x100m medley relay, women, final
8 45
Highboard diving, men, final

August 9
1.30
400m individual medley, women, final
100m backstroke, men, final
100m breaststroke, men, final
1,500m free-style, men, final
3.0
Springboard diving
7.0
400m free-style, women, final
100m breaststroke, women, final
200m backstroke, women, final
4x100m medley relay, men, final
8.30
Highboard diving

Weightlifting

August 4
7.0 Flyweight, final
Bantamweight, final

August 5
7.0 Featherweight, final
Lightweight, final

August 6
7.0 Middleweight, final
Light-heavyweight, final

August 7
7.0 Middle-heavyweight, final
100 kiloweight class, final

August 8
7.0 Heavyweight, final
Superweight, final

Wrestling

August 9
6.0 First round

August 10
6.0 Second round

August 11
10.0 Third and fourth rounds
7.0 Finals

Edmonton time is seven hours behind British Summer Time.

For the record

Tennis

SOUTH ORANGE: J. Lloyd (GB) beat J. James, 6—1, 6—2; B. Taroczy beat A. Bolangur, 7—6, 6—0; B. Praloux beat I Tiriac, 6—0, 7—5; P. Cornejo beat F. Jauffret, 7—6, 6—2; P. McNamee beat C. Rogerbasselin, 7—6, 6—2; P. McNamara beat C. Iskersky, 6—0, 5—7, 6—2; J. McEnroe beat K. Richardson, 6—2, 4—6, 6—1; D. Joubert beat B. Fritz, 1—6, 7—6, 6—3.

ALDERSHOT—Army championship. Open men's singles, fourth round: Mjr Hilton beat Capt Broke 6—1, 6—1; S Sgt Death beat S Sgt Smith, 7—6, 6—3, 7—5; Lt Geffery beat Mjr Billingham, 6—1, 6—3; Lt Braithwaite beat Capt Carter, 6—1, 6—1. Open men's doubles, third round: Lt-Col Reeves and Mjr Hilton beat WO Neutch and S Sgt Smith, 6—0, 6—1; Lt Geffrey and S Sgt Death beat Lt Welden and WO Schleising, 6—2, 6—0; Lt-Col Dennis and Mjr Billingham beat Capt Charlton and Sgt Muggleton, 6—1, 6—3; Mjr McManus and Lt Braithwaite beat Col Howard and Sgt Weaver, 6—2, 6—2. Semi-final round: Reeves and Hamilton beat Geffrey and Death, 6—1, 6—1; McManus and Braithwaite beat Dennis and Billingham, 7—5, 6—3. Women's open singles, third round: 2nd-Lt Dixon beat Capt Cox, 6—1, 6—1; Cpl Wood beat L C Senior, 6—2, 6—3; 2nd-Lt Bedford beat Cpl Rolfe, 6—2, 6—0; Capt Birch beat Cp Currell, 6—1, 6—1. Women's open doubles, semi-final round: Capt Whitehead and 2nd-Lt Dixon beat 2nd-Lt Hughes and L/C Senior, 6—0, 6—2; Cpl Wood and Cpl Birch beat WO Dabbs and Cpl Marjoribanks, 6—3, 6—0.

WIMBLEDON: Royal Navy Men's open singles, fourth round: Lt-Comm Lane walked over Lt-Comm Pool, scr; Sub-Lt Marsh beat Sub-Lt Whewell 6—2, 6—3; Lt-Col Herman (RM) beat Lt Davies 6—1, 6—3; Lt-Com Warner beat Sub-Lt Bosshardt 7—5, 6—1; C-Sgt Gibbs beat Lt Matthews 6—2, 6—1; Lt Ralston (R.M.) beat Lt Ward 6—0, 6—1. Comm Spruce beat Capt Parsons 6—0, 6—4; Lt-Comm Rimron beat Sub-Lt Fisher 6—4, 6—3. Quarter final round: Lt Ralston (RN) beat C-Sgt Gibbs 6—4, 2—6, 9—7. Women's Open singles, quarter-final round: 1st Officer MacCall beat Wren Bates 6—1, 6—1; L-Wren Wareham beat 1st Officer Ball 6—8, 6—0, 7—5; Wren Astley-Jones beat 2nd Officer Day 6—1, 6—2; 3rd Officer Pickton beat Wren Dedow 2—6, 6—4, 6—4.

Baseball

AMERICAN LEAGUE: Cleveland Indians 7, Kansas City Royals 2; California Angels 8, Oakland Athletics 2; Seattle Mariners 3, Minnesota Twins 1: (1st) Baltimore Orioles 6, Milwaukee Brewers 5; (2nd) Milwaukee Brewers 5, Baltimore Orioles 3; Boston 5, New York 3.

NATIONAL LEAGUE: Philadelphia Phillies 8, New York Mets 6; Chicago Cubs 3, St Louis Cardinals 2; Pittsburgh Pirates 3, Montreal Expos 0; Cincinnati Reds 6, Atlanta Braves 2; San Francisco Giants 4, Houston Astros 2; San Diego Padres 2, Los Angeles Dodgers 1.

Football

ANGLO SCOTTISH CUP: First round: Celtic 2, Clyde 1.

Lacrosse

ADELAIDE: Women's match. South Australia 3, Great Britain 13.

Swimming

WOODLANDS: Men: 200m individual medley: 6. Lundquist, 2:04.39 (world record). Women: 200m individual medley: T. Caulkins, 2:15.09 (world record); 100m free-style, K. Linehan, 4:07.66 (world record).

CORRECTION

In the Zetters Pools Dividend Announcement (The Times, August 3) under the heading "25 LINES-A-1P CRICKET POOL", the following paragraph was inserted in error and without the prior knowledge of Zetters Pools Ltd:

"(See Rule 16b). Stakes can be used in full or in part of clients' next entries."

This paragraph should be ignored. We apologize to Zetters Pools and to any readers who may have been inconvenienced.

Ireland takes action on tobacco sponsorship

From Annabel Ferriman
Dublin, Aug 3

The Irish Government has published a Bill to enable the Minister of Health to curb cigarette advertising and limit sports sponsorship by tobacco companies.

Its decision should boost the International Athletes' Club's campaign to end tobacco companies' sponsorship of sport in Britain. The club published a half-page advertisement in The Times on Tuesday telling British American Tobacco to "get out of athletics".

If the Irish Bill becomes law, Mr Haughey, the Minister of Health, intends to ban all outdoor advertising, including billboards, neon signs and displays in sports grounds. He hopes to freeze the amount spent by the tobacco companies on sponsorship, by imposing limits based on expenditure for a particular year and by prohibiting any new ventures.

He also intends to phase out cigarette advertising in cinemas and place restrictions on newspaper advertisements to govern the content and appeal, while adding emphasis to the Government's warnings about the risk to health.

The Bill, which will probably be introduced soon after the Dail reassembles in October, not only provides the minister with extended powers, but also sets substantial penalties for offences—fines of up to £10,000 on conviction and up to £1,000 a day for continuing offences.

Action on Smoking and Health, the British anti-smoking group, yesterday welcomed the news of the Irish government's action. Mr Michael Daube, its director, said yesterday that it took Ireland from being 10 years behind Britain to being 10 years ahead.

Mr Daube said that the British government's failure to ban new ventures in sponsorship, although it had imposed a freeze on the existing level in December 1977, had enabled British American Tobacco to launch the State Express challenge to "Britain's sporting greats", the subject of Tuesday's advertisement in The Times.

Ovett added to team for Europe

Steve Ovett (Brighton and Hove) has been added to the British team for the European championships in Prague from August 29 to September 3. He joins John Robson (Edinburgh Southern Harriers) in the 1,500 metres. An excellent 800 metres performance in Turkey last week means that Ovett may also be selected for this event. A decision about that, and the 800 metres, the remaining vacant place, will be made after the Commonwealth Games in Edmonton.

Oslo, Aug 3.—Steve Ovett, of Britain, won the 1,500 metres in 3min 35.8sec here tonight. Steve Scott, of the United States, was 0.2sec behind Ovett; Jozef Plachy, of Czechoslovakia, was third in 3min 37.9sec and Eamonn Coghlan, of Ireland, fourth in 3min 38.4sec.—Reuter.

Yachting

Formidable outstanding with three wins in four races

By John Nicholls

Apart from some of the One-Design classes, there are few prizes awarded on a points basis for the series during Cowes Week. For the larger boats, racing is on a day-to-day basis, with prizes for each race. The prizes vary from cups and medallions to straight cash, with the winner of yesterday's Dragon race, for instance, receiving the princely sum of £5. Sir Gordon Smith, who has so far won four first places in his Dragon Kali was only third yesterday for which he earned £1.50.

This did not quite balance his entry fee of £2, but he is still in credit at the moment. Vulcan (L. de Rothschild) and W. Pease) was first, and with a second already to her credit, she could also end the week with money in the bank.

The Class I handicap fleet were racing for the New York Yacht Club Cup, one of their principal trophies, which was won last year by Edward Heath in Morning Cloud. She was out again yesterday, but was beaten into second place by Formidable, owned by the Dutchman, Peter Vroon. She is proving to be the outstanding boat in the class this year and has now won three out of four races.

There was a marked difference of opinion concerning the start of this race, with Morning Cloud and Yeoman XXI (R. Aisher) opting to beat along the island shore, out of the tide, with Formidable plugging into what ought to have been stronger tide in the middle of the Solent. It was Formidable, however, that best knew what she was doing and she held a comfortable lead at the first turning mark.

The German yacht, Hamburg (H. Seefahrt) was second, with Yeoman third and Morning Cloud fifth. After a spinnaker run to the next mark, Yeoman overtook Formidable, but only by one length, and the Dutch boat was still securely in the lead on handicap. Yeoman continued to open away and eventually finished first by one minute and a half, but it was too short a lead to save her time and she dropped to third overall.

Another Dutch boat with a similar record to Formidable is Balletent (H. Marouier) a quarter tonner in Class V. She scored her third win in succession yesterday, following a second and a third. New Moon, Jeremy Roger's new boat had another second place in class two, finishing 17 seconds behind Green Highlander (T. Chadwick) on corrected time. Cider With Rosie was disqualified from this race, probably for missing out the inner distance mark on the starting line. It was positioned deceptively, far from the line and was easy to ignore.

The Goodies (P. Bruce and J. Allenby) probably favourite of the British boats that will soon be competing for the Half Ton Cup, had a convincing win by over two minutes in class four. Many of the boats that failed to gain a place in Britain's team for the Half Ton Cup beat some of those that had, in a race sailed in perfect conditions.

Cowes was at its best yesterday and the regatta, supported by Delmar, lived up to everyone's expectations. While on the subject of sponsors, it would be appropriate to mention the computerized results service operated by IBM. Their help is invaluable, and it would be almost impossible to produce quick, accurate results by any other means.

CONTESSA 32s: 1, Carisma (N. J. Frost); 2, Roulette (R. Cowper, J. Matthews); 3, Sunshie (C. Cu
SCODs: 1, R. Ardoyna Lidington); 2, Tuonela (R. B 3, St Christopher (Dr W. Pa Schinas).
DARINGS: 1, Dolphin (M. A. Mills, J. Leask); 2, Medin. bymo W. R. Wilkins); 3, Der (C. Mackinnon, C. Musker).
ETCHELLS: 1, Yankee T doodle (B. Ahman); 2, Pinoc Fairley); 3, Joanna (Earl borough, Air Cmdr C. Nance)
DRAGONS: 1, Vulcan (L. d child, W. S. Pease); 2, Ger Colville, C. Lucy); 3, Kali Smith).
SWALLOWS: 1, Spindrift (J. P. Williams); 2, Hilbre (K. 4, Thurne (R. Dunlop, P. Co
REDWINGS: 1, Redstart (J. 2, Paroquet (R. Garnham, Stoddart); 3, Ibis (H. Janson
SUNBEAMS: 1, Why (Mrs Moore); 2, Joy (A. O'Hea); 3 (H. Bramner, P. Nicholson).
MERMAIDS: 1, Scullie (W. F A. Neill); 2, Sirena (J. Dibt Hallur (Major-General A. O. Mi
FLYING FIFTEENS: 1, Br (M. Westbrook); 2, Green B McIntosh); 3, Blue Peter Dixon).
XODs: 1, Whimbrel (R. B Law, R. Purdue); 3, Betoy (R bell); 3, Tortoise (R. and J. W
SQUIBS: 1, Chuckle (C. M. 2, Screen Wib (H. Evans); 3, S (H. Thorburn).
VICTORY: 1, Mistress (R. son); 2, Isobel (Surg-Capt R. Mooney); 3, Zulu (P. D. Chil 2, Black Flash (T. Walske 11717 (R. Eastaugh); 4, Over Lord) (subject to protest).

MARSTRAND: World champ fourth race: 1, M. Jones (NZ Rouls (Canada); 3, A. (Italy). Overall placings: 1, man (US), 27.4 pts; 2, Rouls 3, Santella, 58.7. Fifth race Mathows (Canada); 2, N. Oga (Japan); 3, D. Ullman (US). all placings (counting 4 best races): 1, Ullman (US), 25.1 Rouls (Canada), 27.0; 3, J. (West Germany), 49.7.
ATHENS: European Lightning pionship: Fifth race postpone of wind.
BURNHAM: Cadet national pionship: Walderingfield SC A fleet: 1, Bats (J. Brewer, Sti Chickode (A. Sedgwick, West 3, Anonymous (S. Harper, Olde B fleet: 1, Roep Harper (L. Stone); 2, Master Pickwick (A. HQ London); 3, Minuche (M. Burnham). Thorpe Bay YC Tr fleet: 1, Cavalier (Belgium); 2 (A. Brown, Broxbourne); 3, 1 fleet: 1, Mouche; 2, Iza Kunn Robinson, West Kirby); 3, Se One (S. Brewer, Stone).
THORPE BAY: GP 14 championships: 1, Sea Lion (C.

Horse show

Harvey Smith celebrates with double

By Pamela Macgregor-Morris

Harvey Smith, who returned from Aachen in June, and has asked not to be considered for the British team in the world championships, celebrated his first visit to Hickstead for two years by pulling off a notable double in the teeth of opposition from seven nations, including his own.

First he won the Speed Stakes, sponsored by Lambert and Butler. William Brown, the 22-year-old baby of the United States team, which he joined four years ago, set the target on Graham Girl, clear in 36.3sec. But on Sanyo Music Centre Smith cut the time to 55.8sec, and this was good enough. The only other foreign combination to finish in the frame was Terry Leibel, the 24-year-old Canadian woman, who first emerged from the junior division in 1972 and joined the Canadian team three years later. She finished sixth on Merchant of Venice.

Smith went on to win the International Stakes, with the same sponsor, on another old retainer, the German-bred chestnut Sanyo Cadnica, who won the British Jumping Derby in 1974 in the name of Salvador. The third horse to go clear in the field of 51 (and the third from the home side) he retained his status in the barrage, when Michael Whitaker was in the lead in 38.8sec, and a time of 37.1sec meant that he was again invincible. Whitaker, who will be striving to retain the junior European championship for Britain at Stannington, County Durham next week, did well at his tender age to retain second place in this company.

Miss Leibel rode Sympatico into third place for Canada in 39sec. One of the most famous horses in the world in his day, he was produced in the United States by Anthony D'Ambrosio and was the top grand prix horse there from 1972 until 1975, when he set the world puissance record of 7ft 4in in Madison Square Gardens. Then he was bought by the Sympatico syndicate and taken to Canada for Jim Day to ride in the last Olympic Games.

Harvey Smith can never resist an opportunity of knocking the establishment, and he ran true to form once again as s he slid off Cadnica and questions as to why he was the British team for the of Wales Cup here on S "I'd like to be but I bloody selected. I said I want to be selected for the team for the world char ships in Aachen next wee cause it's a killer and I wo my horses. But I would joined the team here—and I good their saying others have been kept out by politics."

Ronald Massarella, the of the British team, said " is a good friend of mine, bu just isn't true. The team we for Hickstead was also the squad—had there been six Harvey would definitely have in it." Basically, Harvey's have gone erratically all s although they came right fo big events at Wembley.

INTERNATIONAL STAKES: Smith's Sanyo Cadnica; 2, M. aker's Brother Scot; 3, Mi Leibel's Sympatico (Canada). SPEED STAKES: 1, H. Sanyo Music Centre; 2, W. Graham Girl (USA); 3, Mrs D. Charles Fox.

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There were Conservative protests when the Prime Minister indicated that he considered the best service he had so far rendered to the country at this interim stage in his early career was to try to rescue Britain from the ungovernable position it seemed to be left in by the Conservative Party.

In an exchange with Mrs Margaret Thatcher, Leader of the Opposition, about the House of Lords, Mr Callaghan said he had never found any legitimate authority for an undemocratic unelected chamber. There were many examples in democratic societies of second chambers that were elected.

Conservative questions also enabled the Prime Minister to list what he considers to be some of the successes of the Labour Government.

Mr Robert Adley (*Christchurch and Lymington, C*)—While recognizing the integrity of the Prime Minister's endeavours and *bearing* in mind this may be his last appearance at the dispatch box,—(Labour laughter)—would he find time now to tell us which of his political achievements in his official capacity he *thinks* has been the most benefit to the nation?

Was it as *Home Secretary* when he gerrymandered the parliamentary boundaries or scuppered *In Place of Strife*?

Or as Chancellor of the Ex*chequer in 1968 when* he created economic collapse and devalued the pound? Or was it as Prime *Minister when* he created record unemployment?

Mr Callaghan (Cardiff, South-East, Lab)—*The time has not yet come* to write my autobiography. There will be plenty of time left for that *in due course. (Laughter)*

But if I were to be asked at this interim stage in my early career, *remembering that Mr* Gladstone formed his last administration at the age of 83—(Labour cheers and laughter)—the best service I have rendered to the country is to try to rescue it from the ungovernable position it seemed to be left in by the Conservative Party. (Labour cheers, Conservative protests)

Then in trying, also, to get a sense of common endeavour and consensus between both sides of industry and in overcoming the rate of inflation which was wished upon us by the Conservative Party.

Mr Dennis Skinner (Bolsover, Lab)—Is he aware that part of my official engagements on *Tuesday was* in listening to him answering at the despatch box that day?

I heard a lot of discussion from the Opposition benches about the need to get rid of quangos. Will he, as part of his duties in the next session, take due account of *this* matter and get rid of the biggest quango of them all, possibly without the support of the *Opposition*, namely, the undemocratic House of Lords?

Mr Callaghan—I am sure Mr *Skinner* will not misunderstand me when I say I am glad to see him restored to his usual rude *state of health. (Laughter.)* And long may he continue in that way.

As for the abolition of the *House of Lords, this has been an* aspiration for many of us for many years. (Conservative cries of "*oh*".)

It has been, I am glad to say, the policy of my party for many years because of the constitutional difficulties I have seen in getting certain bills through. It has not been possible yet to achieve it, but we must always strive onwards and upwards.

Mrs Margaret Thatcher, Leader of the Opposition (Barnet, Finchley, C)—Did I understand the Prime Minister? Is it also his aspiration to get rid of the House of Lords? Does he likewise share the aspiration of his party to do without a second chamber altogether?

Mr Callaghan—I have never found any legitimate authority at all for an undemocratic unelected chamber in this country. I am astonished that she should seek to defend it. That is not the basis of democracy about which she prates so much.

As to a second chamber that is a different question. There are many examples in democratic societies of second chambers that are elected. I know nobody except the reactionary Conservative Party that would defend an unelected House of Lords. (Labour cheers.)

Mr Nicholas Fairbairn (*Kinross and West Perthshire, C*)—Could the Prime Minister find a moment today to put down on a scrap of *paper those successes*, however trivial, this Government have had for which he has not claimed the credit and those disasters, however abominable, which he has credited to forces outside his control? (Conservative cheers and laughter.)

Mr Callaghan—I will state some of them now. The minimum lending *rate is 2½ per cent below the level it was when the Conservative* Government was in office.

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There is now a balance of payments surplus, when they left there was a deficit.

The rate of inflation has halved over the time when they were in office. It is now 7.4 per cent against approximately 13 per cent under the previous Government.

I could go on with a whole list. (Labour cheers.) But I will spare his embarrassment by concluding and saying that living standards are increasing at a substantial rate.

Mr William Molloy (Ealing, North, Lab)—As we are coming to the end of the session, could he give a résumé of the achievements of this Government and give us an idea on how he feels we will continue to make progress and achieve much more when he reports similarly in 12 months hence?

Mr Callaghan—I can report that over the last 12 months, as over the last four years, that there has been progress in controlling inflation.

It is lower now than when the Conservative Government were in office. It is down from last year's 17 per cent to 7.4 per cent.

Part of it, a lot of it, is undoubtedly due to the great *restraint of the trade union move*ment and by workers over the last 12 months which has resulted *in greater stability for the pound.*

Sterling today is higher now than 12 months ago in terms of its value against the dollar and the effective rates of other countries.

All these things have been achieved by the efforts of the British people and I intend that they should continue. (Labour cheers.)

Government urged to be even more open

Disappointment that the Government had not been able *to go* further in releasing background papers to the formulation of *Government policy* was expressed by Mr Christopher Price (Lewisham, West, Lab) during questions to the Prime Minister.

Mr Kenneth Warren (Hastings, C) asked Mr Callaghan to reissue *instructions to ministers and civil* servants to release as many background papers as possible about *the formulation of Government* policy.

Mr James Callaghan.—A growing number of papers *is* being *issued* on the formulation of Government policy. As all ministers are actively *concerned to make this matter* a success, there is no need for me to issue fresh guidance.

Mr Warren—Does Mr Callaghan not feel that he should have issued more information so that the *public* could see that *their* policy on prices, unemployment, and defence is so disastrous that *it is systematically destroying the* aspirations of the British people?

Mr Callaghan—I had assumed that Mr Warren was seriously concerned about the matter and therefore gave a serious reply. As for the general issues he raises, the background papers were on all matters of Government policy where appropriate and useful information can be conveyed.

Mr Christopher Price—Although all parties pay obeisance to the idea of open government at all times, it has been disappointing for some of us on the back benches that the Government have not been able to go further on the matter.

Will Mr Callaghan assure us that present instructions to ministers are not the last word on the matter, and that when we all come back with renewed *vigour, he will* be able to look at the matter again and go a little further towards the wording of the 1974 *manifesto*?

Mr. Callaghan—I know that Mr Price and others are disappointed about this, and obviously I would have liked to have satisfied them if I could, but the list of papers, published in a reply on May 15, covered several columns and he will see the kind of material published.

I asked again this morning and I find that a large number of foreign policy background papers have been published on Eurocommunism, the Anglo-American proposals, MBFR from the Soviet viewpoint; by the Ministry of Defence on the location of tankers at *Fairfield; by the Department* of Health and Social Security on, review of supplementary benefits, 40 different background notes.

The Government have lived up to their undertaking to publish more information and although they have not gone as far as the manifesto commitment, because that would mean a whole change in the area and ambit of Government responsibility, we should be given credit for what we have done.

Compensation to crime victims to be raised

The Government were considering improvements to the Criminal Injuries Compensation Scheme, and the Magistrates Association was *preparing guidelines for magistrates in assessing compensation* for minor personal injury, Mr *Brynmor John, Minister of State*, Home Office, said.

Mr Anthony Nelson (Chichester, *C*) asked what plans the Home Secretary had to improve compensation to victims of crime.

Mr John (Pontypridd, Lab)—In addition to having increased, in the Criminal Law Act 1977, the maximum compensation that may be ordered by magistrates courts, the Government have under consideration some improvements in the criminal injuries compensation scheme, as recommended by a working party which has been reviewing the scheme, and the implications for the scheme of the Pearson Commission report.

Mr Newton—Although £9.5m was paid out *last year to 14,000* claimants under the Criminal Injuries Compensation Board, a large number *of victims of crime* did not claim or are unaware that they can claim for criminal injury. In any case, *only victims of* violence can claim.

Mr John—Magistrates courts and other courts made 90,000 *orders* last year for compensation for victims of crimes, most of them in respect of property.

In respect of personal injury, the Magistrates Association is preparing guidelines to assist magistrates in assessing compensation for minor personal injury.

Later, he said, we have extended the kind of compensation which could be awarded by the courts. For magistrates, it is a maximum of £1,000 and in other courts the amount is unlimited.

He promised to find time to read the report by Lord Longford and others on victims of crime but said, that its central recommendation, for a minister for victims of violent crime, struck him as arrant nonsense.

Police chiefs consider Public Order Act best left alone

MPs questioned Mr Merlyn Rees, the Home Secretary, on the call by Sir David McNee, the Metropolitan Police Commissioner, for the police to be given wide ranging new powers to combat crime.

The proposals were contained in the Commissioner's memorandum to the Royal Commission on Criminal Procedure.

Mr Michael Neubert (Havering, Romford, C) asked—Can the Com*missioner count on the Home Sec*retary's support for his call for greater powers for the police to combat the rapid increase in crime?

As there were more crimes com*mitted in London last year than* New York, is it not time greater emphasis was given to the safety *of ordinary citizens* rather than compromising with progressive wishy-washy opinions, particularly those of his own backbenchers?

Mr Rees—The Commissioner can count on my support for what he does in the city. If Mr Neubert was attempting to say otherwise I resent it.

As for the report, people have commented on it but they have not read it. I suggest he reads the evidence which is freely available from Scotland Yard. It is evidence to a Royal Commission. I am sure Mr Neubert's experience means he can knock anything off and send it to the Royal Commission, so that when it comes to the House we can consider it.

Mr Philip Goodhard (Bromley, Beckenham, *C*)—*As the Commissioner of Police has specifically complained that the Act protecting badgers gives greater right of* search than the right of search for people suspected of *committing murder, will the* Home Secretary discuss this urgently with the Commissioner?

As nearly 1,000 Metropolitan policemen were injured in political disturbances on the streets of London in the last year will he discuss with the Commissioner the proposal of Lord Scarman for amendment of the 1936 Public Order Act?

Mr Rees—I have been discussing amendment of the 1936 Act. I have consulted with chiefs of police. The general consensus is to leave it as it is.

On the first point, that is why I set up the Royal Commission. Evidence should be put to it and considered. There is a judgment between the individual and society. It is because the argument has been going on for some years that I set up the Royal Commission. The Commissioner has put his views to the Royal Commission.

Mr Martin Flannery (Sheffield *Hillsborough, Lab*)—Having heard today's news many of us are disturbed and confused. (Conservative *interruptions*). *Despite* the vigilantes opposite, many of us feel that the *law as it stands is reasonably sufficient to deal with crime* if applied correctly.

The Commissioner wants further *rights which would be an incur*sion into civil liberties.

Mr Rees—It was because of the *concern on this that I set up* the Royal Commission on the whole prosecuting process. The Commissioner has put his views forward and it is a pretty thick report . . . (Laughter). It is a large report . . . (Renewed laughter.) I think the adjective "thick" could apply to some MPs rather than the report. Mr Flannery should read it.

Steps being taken to improve safety at Canvey Island installations

Burning liquids could reach *peoples' homes, spreading fire and* destruction to create a holocaust if there was an explosion on Can*vey Island, Sir Bernard Braine* (South East Essex, C) said in the first of a series of debates on the motion for the adjournment. Sir Bernard called for immediate action on the safety of Canvey Island.

He said that the 33,000 people share their small island with the largest concentration of gas, chemical and oil storage in the country, most of it dangerously close to their homes.

Nowhere else in Britain was so large a population exposed to so massive and varied a concentration of risks to life. A Health and Safety Executive report published in April confirmed the worst fears of Canvey residents about existing hazards and uncovered some they had not known of.

Above all, it showed that the proposed oil refinery development *would add significantly to the* existing hazards.

People lived close to the methane *terminal. In a letter to him the* chairman of British Gas had indicated that, subject to the require*ments of the health and safety* executive, it was the corporation's intention to go on importing the same quantities of Algerian gas for years to come. Did the Government approve? No one had the right to imperil the safety of a whole community.

Because Canvey was an island, *evacuation of the population would* take several hours. That would be possible in the event of flooding, *when several hours warning of unusual tides could be given, but it* was impossible to give hours of warning of a cataclysmic fire.

The Government must take firm control of the situation. He sought explicit assurances that all the suggested improvements in the report would be implemented without delay, that immediate steps would be taken sharply to reduce the storage and transhipment of liquified gases at the methane terminal *and that discussions would* be opened at once with the British Gas Corporation about moving their operations to another site *remote from population.*

Nothing short of these requirements would satisfy him or restore the confidence of his long-suffering constituents. The Minister should act now, with firmness and purpose, before it was too late.

Mr Guy Barnett, Under Secretary for Environment (Greenwich, *Lab) said the report described an* exhaustive investigation of the risks to health and safety from *the existing and proposed* installations on or in the neighbourhood of Canvey.

The report was concerned with the safety of existing installations, as well as the proposed refinery *development. A number of speci*fic recommendations for action had emerged from the inquiry. *These were being followed up by* the Health and Safety Executive.

The overall assessment resulting from the investigations was summed up by the executive's conclusion that the picture was *not one which ought to result in* fear and worry among people living in and around Canvey Island.

On the specific recommendations resulting from the inquiry *discussions* had already begun between the factory inspectorate, Health and Safety Executive and senior managements of the firms concerned to secure the necessary improvements.

The British Gas Corporation intended that the pipeline from the methane terminal should be emptied. Discussions had been opened with the corporation about the possibility of reducing the risks from the terminal and the corporation's response was awaited.

The corporation already had it in mind to reduce their stocks of liquid petroleum gas and were in touch with the Health and Safety Executive about the best means of doing so.

Subject to a satisfactory outcome of *discussions* the *Health* and Safety Executive would not consider the situation *such* that any of the *existing installations* should be required to cease operations. They intended to keep a close watch on the situation.

The Secretary of State intended to reopen the earlier exploratory *inquiry into whether the* terms granted to United Refineries Ltd should be revoked. That would enable the interested parties to comment afresh, in the light of the Health and Safety Executive *report. The department* would be in touch with the company and local planning authority about the arrangements for reopening the inquiry.

Occidental had been reconsidering the major aspects of their proposed development in the area and had decided at present not to go ahead. His department had been told by the company that it intended to withdraw the appeal. The Secretary of State was rearranging the postponed inquiry into the appeal.

Those arrangements would ensure that the Secretary of State would be able to make his decision in the light of the new knowledge provided by the report. It was important to stress that by arranging for that detailed investigation to be undertaken by the health executive the Government had proved their determination to show that important planning decisions should be taken in the full knowledge of all the implications for those likely to be affected.

Sir Bernard Braine said the chairman of British Gas had tried to fool the public by saying there was no LPG at the terminal. He was glad to hear the minister confirm that statement was untrue.

That had confirmed that the gas was being stored with no object in mind. It was a hazard and should be removed. He wanted an assurance that steps were being taken to remove immediately from Canvey that which was not necessary.

The sooner British Gas remembered that in the end it was *answerable* to the *Commons* and must take heed of the interests of people and fears about the *amounts of those* hazardous liquid gas stored there the better.

Upholding of law a task for the police and not for the vigilante groups—minister

Provided the Anti-Nazi League carried out their activities peacefully, and without violence they *would not fall out of* favour with the police, Dr Shirley Summerskill, Under Secretary, Home Office, said during questions.

Mr Robert Adley (Christchurch and Lymington, C) had asked if she had consulted the *police* concerning the plans of the Anti-Nazi League to establish vigilante *groups in areas with a high pro*portion of immigrants.

Dr Summerskill (Halifax, Lab)—The investigation of crime and the maintenance of public order is the responsibility of the police. It is for the police and not vigilante groups to uphold the law and order in this country. (*Cheers*.)

Mr Adley—We would be far better off to follow the advice of the electorate and ridicule or ignore the National Front rather than do as Peter Hain and his friends are doing in seeking to escalate the situation by creating these vigilante groups.

Would she confirm that concerning the ANL the police do not *think that they are incapable of* dealing with the situation in the East End or elsewhere, or that the ANL *is going to help calm* down the atmosphere?

Dr Summerskill—To the knowledge of the police no such vigilante patrols have been formed. The ANL to the knowledge of the police have not directly advocated their formation.

The police and the Government believe that the best thing is that people do not take the law into their own hands. If they suspect trouble or have evidence of trouble they should report it to the police.

Mr Dennis Skinner (Bolsover, Lab)—It was because of the Conservative leader's attack on immigration policy earlier this year that the ANL had to be formed. As a result it is significant that in elections that have taken place the National Front vote has decreased. In the forthcoming general election, whenever it takes place, the ANL will be voting against the National Front on all possible occasions.

Dr Summerskill—The views held by the National Front and any *racist group* are extremely objectionable. The ANL, provided they carry out their activities peace*fully and without violence*, *are* not going to fall out of favour with the police. The police are only *concerned with the main*tenance of law and order.

Mr Enoch Powell (South Down, *UU*)—*Is it not the common law* duty of every citizen to do the best in his power on the spot to *prevent a breach of the peace?*

Dr Summerskill—And he performs that duty by reporting fully and *promptly to the police any crime* or suspect activity.

Mr Sydney Bidwell (Ealing, Southall, Lab)—Immigrant people generally are much too intelligent to want to take law into their own hands and they fully appreciate they have to be alert to collect evidence to present to the police on matters of this kind. But as long as they feel that in some respects they cannot trust the police, they are bound to look in other directions.

Dr Summerskill—There is no reason for them to feel that they cannot trust the police.

Juvenile crime a complex problem

The figures both for violence *against the person and criminal* damage by offenders under 21 had increased at a much slower rate during the past four years than in the preceding four years, Mr Brynmor John, Minister of State, Home Office, said.

Mr David Atkinson (*Bournemouth, East, C*) *said*—Many elderly people are reluctant to leave their homes not only at night but during the day for fear of being mugged. When will he take steps such as putting more police on the beat; tougher sentences and tougher detention centres, to make our streets safe for all our citizens at all times?

Mr John (Pontypridd, Lab)—I hope he will one day get away from the coin-operated solutions which in half a sentence seem to incorporate the whole cure for crime.

If he studies the thing a bit more closely he will find that harsher sentences of themselves have never worked as a prevention of crime. It is a much more complex factor than that.

As for elderly people being afraid to walk the streets, certainly there are some, but I would not put such a low value on the police as to say that this is a universal trait in this country.

Mr Eric Heffer (Liverpool, Walton, Lab)—This is highly complex. I asked my chief constable to put on more patrols and this has been done; they have stepped up the campaign against *vandalism. But I have had com*plaints from residents that their children are being harassed by the police, so it *is much more* complicated and difficult than the Opposition think.

Sometimes we think we are doing the best we can for our constituents and then find we have antagonized some who think that their children under no circumstances would be involved in vandalism.

Mr John—The key, if there is any one single important factor, is to involve the public with the police in combating vandalism at a local level.

Mr Edward Gardner (South Fylde, C)—*In the light of all the evidence now available does he* agree that the Children and Young Persons Act 1969, has *failed to stem the alarming* growth of this kind of persistent juvenile crime? This is the view *of most magistrates who sit in* juvenile courts.

In the light of this would he consider as a matter of urgency giving juvenile magistrates the powers they so desperately need to deal effectively with juvenile crime?

Mr John—He does not appear to have kept abreast of developments in the working party between local authorities and the Magistrates' Association. This association meeting together agreed that for the vast majority of juveniles the Children and Young Persons Act was a suitable framework.

We *are talking about the tiny* minority of persistent offenders. There is a difference of opinion *between the Magistrates' Associa*tion and the local authorities about that, but they have agreed on a code of practice which I hope in future will help.

The present Act is by no means perfect. We are *increasing* the secure places. The magistrates and local authorities have agreed that *the Children and Young Persons* Act is the best method of dealing with the vast majority of *juveniles*.

Mr David Howell, for the Opposition (Guildford, C)—Is he right to say that the question of restoring power to magistrates to make residential care orders has been put aside? *If he reads the re*port he will see it is not.

The magistrates have asked that they should have powers to make residential care orders and that they should direct local authorities to keep youngsters in secure care until the time of trial. These are important recommendations.

Mr John—There was disagreement on this point between magistrates and the local authorities. *If the* Opposition think that restoring to the magistrates a power to commit a *handful of juveniles to* secure accommodation is going to solve the problem of juvenile crime, they are grossly *misleading* the people for political ends.

We are extending the number of attendance centres. There are now 67 as opposed to 60. We are thinking of introducing early next year experimental attendance centres for girls.

Regulations on cosmetics will protect consumers

Consumers were worried about a steady spate of press reports indicating that some hair dyes *might be carcinogenic* in their effects, Mrs Joyce Butler (Haringey, Wood Green, Lab) said when she opened a debate on the new EEC cosmetic regulations.

She asked if consumers who used colour hair dyes—and they were widely used—could be assured that the Government had made the necessary amendments to the EEC directive, in the light of expert criticisms, to prevent any suspect dyes being used.

Were there any proposals for ingredient labelling which was long overdue?

Mr John Fraser, Minister of State for Prices and Consumer Protection (Lambeth, Norwood, Lab) said the regulations would be made very soon. They would be a valuable addition to the consumer protection armoury.

It was an area where harmonization of regulations throughout the Community was specially to be welcomed so as to facilitate trade as well as improving consumer protection.

He would be prepared to take action on hair dyes if he received considered advice from the expert *committee looking into such pro*ducts. But so far there was no evidence that had come to him which would justify going beyond the scope of the draft regulations.

House adjourned, 4.57 pm, for its Summer Recess.

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At the centre of a whole Macbethian series of deviations of nature are a black Aborigine from the city slums (David Gulpilil, the fine young actor from *Walkabout* and *Storm Boy*) and the lawyer (Richard Chamberlain) called on to defend him on a charge of murder. The lawyer becomes increasingly certain, despite the reticence of the Aborigine and his friends, that the killing of another young Aborigine was in some way involved with ritual, and grows to suspect that a part of Sydney is still an ancient tribal territory for these dispossessed people.

The young Aborigine figures in the lawyer's strange prophetic dreams; and as understanding grows between the two men, the white one becomes convinced that he is himself mystically possessed, a presence anticipated in tribal lore and sent in presage of an apocalyptic catastrophe.

When *The Last Wave* is committed to scenes of exposition (the lawyer's conversations with his colleagues and his stepfather) or to the dramatic finale, excitingly though it is accomplished, it is a film of supernatural fantasy like any other—holding its own well enough and making a good case for the ethnographical authenticity of its treatment of the Aborigine's subconscious communication, the "Dreamtime". (The Aborigine community demonstrates confidence in the film by its collaboration: a leading role is played with dignity and a nice sense of comedy by a magistrate and venerated leader of the Groote Eylandt community, Nandjiwarra Amagul, MBE). It scores most notably, however, when Weir is able to cut loose from rationalization to mesmerize the spectator with the nearly tactile atmosphere of unquiet that surrounds his anecdote.

Carl Reiner, as *Oh, God!* conclusively proved, is a comedy director who is prepared to try anything. In *The One and Only* his hero has the ostensibly unappealing frailty of a monstrous and incorrigible egocentricity. As a child in 1938 Ohio, his mother's admiration first convinces little Andy Schmidt that he is the peer of Al Jolson. At college in the early Fifties, his confidence in his gifts and promise has grown to proportions that make a lot of bother for his friends and contemporaries.

His girl friend's willingness to put up with it indicates only an unadmirable masochism. "I guess", she wryly notes, "we're both in love with the same person." "But I love me in a different way", Andy cheerily consoles her.

The period chosen for the action is the early Fifties, because this was the great era of television wrestling. Andy, thwarted in his Broadway ambitions, finally finds fulfilment of all his exhibitionist dreams in the ring, as a golden-curled and epicene killer. (It's never quite clear how he has acquired the actual technical expertise needed.)

Andy's egotism is, as I have said, incorrigible. If at the end he is reunited with wife and child, it is because they have acknowledged the necessity to follow *him*, not that he is any less ready to abandon them in pursuit of his dreams. This incorrigibility somewhat limits the scope of the film. There is always interest in seeing development and discovery in a character, but Andy remains a static portrait. The compensation is that the writing is very funny (though the credited writer, Steve Gordon, did not work on *Oh, God!* there are distinct similarities between the dialogue comedy of the two films), and because Henry Winkler—armed with a chinatoothed Harold Lloyd smile—is an attractive fellow with a pat and perfectly timed delivery.

The corners of Carl Reiner films are so well filled, too, with asides and throwaways and eccentrics like the midget wrestler (Hervè Villechaize) dedicated to proving the mythical sexual prowess of his kind; Gene Saks as a rundown wrestling promoter preoccupied with the disappointments of his offspring ("Fruitcake . . . I give him a football and he *decorates* it"); and William Daniels as Andy's stonily irreconcilable father-in-law.

Perhaps it is because children are themselves realists that a special if incidental attraction of the productions of the Children's Film Foundation is that they show, as no other British films of the period do, the physical reality of the lives of the majority of the people in this country. No other films so clearly or so often or so cheerfully depict the lives of suburbs and provincial housing estates, of *semis* with plastic-topped tables in their ten-by-twelve living rooms, of neighbourhood shops and playing fields and factory estates.

There is a recognizable and recurrent CFF plot: a little boy (I *do* not remember any notable CFF heroines) chances upon some piece of pseudo-scientific magic that gives him abnormal powers of one sort or another. Generally there is a pair of comic villains trying to get his secret for themselves, only to be outwitted by our hero and his friends. It is a pattern, too, that the magic eventually loses its power so that the natural and rational order of things is restored at the end of the film.

Sammy's Super T-shirt, directed by Jeremy Summers from a script by Frank Godwin, is a jolly example of the style. Sammy's unlikely ambition to be an athlete is suddenly and unexpectedly fulfilled when his favourite T-shirt is accidentally processed by an industrial scientist working on an indestructible fabric.

The Last Wave: Richard Chamberlain and Olivia Hamnett

For reasons not quite clear the treated T-shirt confers abnormal physical powers on its wearers, allowing Sammy to worst the baddies, with a lot of tumbles and drenchings.

The CFF has a talent for finding nice funny little boy actors (Reggie Winch and Lawrie Mark); and the grown-ups support them well—notably Patsy Rowlands as a scatter-brained Mum. It is a recommended sit-down for holiday-battered families washed up in Oxford Street.

Sven Klang's Combo, directed by Stellan Olsson, was first seen in London at the 1976 London Film Festival, and now arrives for a welcome run at the Scala Cinema. It is black-and-white, quiet, funny, melancholy and fairly irresistible.

It chronicles the sorry fortunes of a small-town Swedish amateur jazz group which has been reduced by defection to four performers but can't afford to change the posters which advertise them as Sven Klang's Quintet. Their complement is made up by the arrival of Lasse, a new saxophonist from Stockholm; but the introduction of a real musician into this inexpert little company proves fatally disruptive. Lasse leaves, but the combo soon becomes a memory for its members.

The film has its own wry moral. Twenty years after, the plodding amateurs of the original group have achieved middle age and respectability. Lasse, who saw his star, died young.

We have the creditable testimony of George Melly (on the publicity) that this is "the only film about jazz musicians which tells it like it is". I'm sure it does. Olsson's observation of the world of shabby little dance halls, of the undramatic passions of these very ordinary people, of the kind of oppositions of personality that unite a social group, has much in common with the early films of Ermanno Olmi (*Il Posto, I Fidanzati*), which is saying a lot. In any event, it is a pleasure.

David Robinson

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Griffiths

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But even in an account as spirited as this, in its bold gestures, and fast tempos, I find the piece a bit hard to take. Schoenberg's original already sounds like a gallon of musical thought pressed into a pint pot of resources and Webern's arrangement, reducing the number of instruments by two thirds, risks appearing a parody of overloaded utterance.

Ave maris stella, coming after this, could seem only supremely controlled for all its complexity; and indeed it is so. First heard three years ago, it is rapidly establishing itself, for me at least, as one of his finest achievements, not least because of the perfection with which the argument is laid out for a sextet of flute and clarinet, viola and cello, marimba and piano. Perhaps much of that argument will forever remain secret, but every hearing brings a fresh appreciation of how skilfully the piece is worked, both in its detail and its large-scale design, and in its compelling growth.

Davies sees it "spiral upwards" to the end, but I prefer to regard it as a kind of Greek drama, developing ineluctably to the catastrophe of fragmentation which follows the marimba cadenza, then reaching a catharsis which at the same time turns the screw of tension almost to breaking point.

Blessed with breathtakingly beautiful marimba playing by Gregory Knowles, the performance remains for all to hear on Radio 3 on Sunday afternoon.

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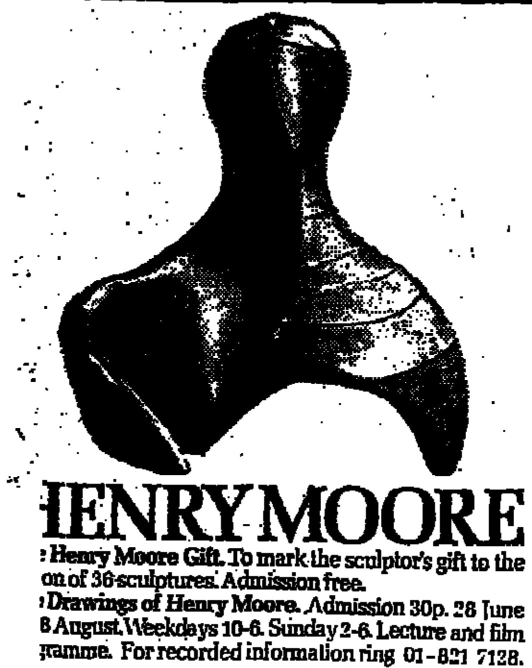
Autumn recitals at Wigmore Hall

Seven leading singers will make their London recital debuts in a series at the Wigmore Hall this autumn, starting with a joint recital by the husband-and-wife team, Helga Dernesch and Werner Krenn on September 3. In October there will be recitals by Sylvia Sass and Yuri Masurok, in November one by Irina Arkhipova, and then in December recitals by Julia Hamari and Yevgeny Nesterenko.

Other events at the Wigmore Hall in September include a series of concerts by the Allegri String Quartet, with such guests as Jack Brymer and William Bennett, recitals by Craig Sheppard and Andras Schiff and two recitals by Elizabeth Schwarzkopf on September 23 and September 30.



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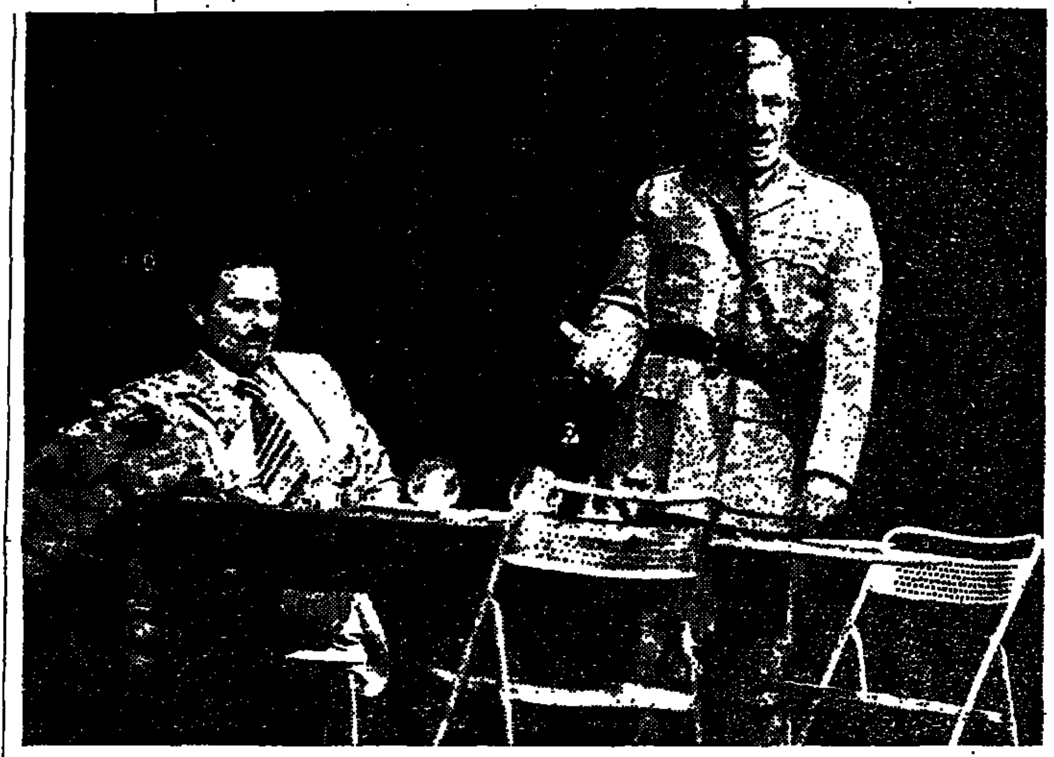

Peter Bowles and Paul Rogers

Photograph by Donald Cooper

Elegy for a dying class

Eclipse
Royal Court

Irving Wardle

The predicament of Trevelyan Blyth, the grizzled hero of Leigh Jackson's play, is summed up by the Royal Court programme, which devotes three pages to Britain's involvement in Malaya.

Without that crib I doubt if many of Wednesday's audience would have known the difference between the MPAJA and the MPABA. And as for Trevelyan, a retired chief of Malayan police, dictating his memoirs in the seclusion of the English countryside, the question is whether anyone will bother to read them.

Who cares that we closed the Malayan brothels in 1931, or sheds a tear for the late Sir Henry Gurney, or remembers rice being smuggled to the Communists in bicycle pumps? Trevelyan's position is quite clear. He liked being "looked up to" as a policeman; and he carried out whatever purges he thought necessary while also declaring that he loved the Malayan people.

It is uncertain whether Mr Jackson sees him as an example of colonial double-think, but he certainly sees him as a relic. Trevelyan sees himself in this light and having slogged through to the Tras reprisal of 1951 he stuffs his papers back in a trunk and abandons the book. Other things, after all, are going on. His young wife, who sells rubber plants to hotels, has returned late from a business trip closely followed by a suspiciously smooth young man.

His neighbour Askey, a dithering lord of the manor, has returned unexpectedly to his desolate mansion. Also there is an impending eclipse of the sun, and everyone is busy smoking up pieces of glass to view the phenomenon.

It was with sinking heart I registered the last item. An eclipse: how neatly it fits the hero's own darkened existence, not to mention our colonial history. You can also apply it to poor Askey, the wrecked descendant of a noble house, buzzing in and out of mental homes; and to Trevelyan's wife, who has sacrificed her life for the violent old man.

The one person it does not fit is Bennet, the young intruder, who lacerates himself on a barbed wire fence on the way in and is finally shot dead by his reluctant host. This action, needless to say, coincides with the actual eclipse.

The play may rank as an elegy for a dying class, but it has precious little to offer in the way of living human characters. The colonial recollections are shot off in oblique, allusive bursts, which serve mainly to establish an old comrades' relationship between Trevelyan and his amanuensis, Mills.

Periodically these two take off into *folie à deux* jungle improvisations. Otherwise the dialogue hinges on mutual antagonisms. The wife snubs Mills. Bennet attacks Trevelyan. And Trevelyan delivers mad-bull onslaughts on everyone in sight, with the exception of his wife whom he pursues suspiciously round the plants in her greenhouse as though still on the jungle campaign.

Paul Rogers plays him as a British military equivalent of Strindberg's Edgar in *The Dance of Death*: tortured with inner frustrations which he projects into artfully varied displays of sadism, vocally matched by the grating tone he uses as a military historian and the fruity ironies he adopts when uniformed for dinner.

Stuart Burge's production offers him some opposition from Ann Bell's resolutely forbearing performance as the wife, and Peter Bowles's intruder, who develops interestingly from stoical irony to open antagonism. James Cossins, as Askey, graces the household as an insatiably willing punchbag. Nadine Baylis's settings cunningly combine the sense of rural England with shades of jungle green.

BBC Welsh SO/Brott
Albert Hall/Radio 3

Max Harrison

Ravel was an efficient orchestrator as well as an inspired one, and it might seem that if performers follow his directions all will be well. On Wednesday the BBC Welsh Symphony Orchestra conducted by Boris Brott gave what in many respects was an efficient performance of Ravel's *Le Tombeau de Couperin* and, certainly much of the music's grace, even warmth, came over.

Yet not enough of the former quality was present in, for example, the "Forlane". That is an eminently aristocratic piece, but it should have had more of a high-stepping feel. The "Minuet" was also passive, although nicely coloured. Being quicker, the "Rigaudon", like the "Prelude", had more life, and that was partly a matter of textures that were well balanced, almost well nourished.

Receiving a first hearing at the promenade concerts were Grace Williams's Ballads for Orchestra, composed a decade ago. Unlike Chopin's similarly titled works, the four pieces do have a certain narrative atmosphere, although I am unable to confirm except indirectly, the programme notes' assurance of their affinity with rhythms of Welsh poetry.

The first Ballad is a dissonately processional outing, effective, yet scarcely memorable; and the second, although it has the advantage of some unusual orchestration, is again processional, and makes a heavy impression. Mainly quiet, the third is more sympathetic, if still without notable thematic ideas, while in the last a concern with verbal rhythms does seem to come to the fore, in fact to dominate everything. The result is monotonous.

Poulenc's Concerto for Two Pianos made a frankly welcome contrast. The opening Allegro might seem inconsequential, a boulevard toccata with improbable romantic interludes, with, for good measure, some concluding echoes of Bali. Yet the soloists, Eden and Tamir, were so fresh and incisive as to make one forget stylistic incongruities.

In the Larghetto, however, some turns of phrase are too close to Mozart for comfort, although the central episode could not be more Poulencian. It is as if with these abrupt shifts he is trying to catch us pleasantly off-balance. Certainly, this score offers irreverence, and eminently civilized entertainment.

Some of the notices on this page are reprinted from yesterday's later editions.

Last night's television

Gays: Speaking Up
Thames

Michael Ratcliffe

"Hello and good evening", said a slightly sweaty Lew Gardner, shutting his eyes and jumping straight in. "Tonight's programme is about homosexuality." (but only in London and Aberdeen: Yorkshire was watching *Danger in Paradise*, Belfast *Hogan's Heroes* and Torquay *Andy Williams*). More precisely, *Gays: Speaking Up* was about homosexuality, society and the media. At the end Mr Gardner hoped we had enjoyed it, and learned something. He thought he had—learned something, that is.

One of the things he would have learnt, I hope, was not to allow his professional manner of understanding to slip so alarmingly by daft insinuations about the Scottish football team playing like a lot of you know what, because that suggested that he hadn't understood a word of what anyone had been saying to him. More important, he would have learnt that homosexuals' social and political needs have gone way beyond well-meaning programmes of this kind, for everyone of which (and even they are rare) the little box fills annually with sit-com poofters and queens exemplified by what Mr Gardner, in a Freudian slip that went down particularly well, described as John Inman's "betrayal" of his role in *Are You Being Served?* Female homosexuality remains more or less where Queen Victoria declared she could not find it, and is rarely treated, save in grimmest terms, on television at all. "People don't know anything about us", said one girl last night.

The third lesson Mr Gardner might have learnt was more technical: to place himself on one side and a studio audience of homosexuals on the other was unnecessarily formal. Too many hands shot up, too many points were made too briefly; there was little debate. Would it not have been better to talk to the most articulate—among them the editor of *Sappho* and the author of *Rock Follies*—and then to open discussion from the floor?

Still there they all were, an engaging and attractive lot, making the most of their token hour in London and Aberdeen. All were aware of their good fortune: as residents of the metropolis and in having weathered the crises of self-knowledge and "coming out" with their families, colleagues and friends. The women had the intellectual edge, and it was they who launched and developed perhaps the most important idea in the programme: public and private attitudes to homosexuality are still, despite great changes, conditioned by the contemporary obsession with sex at the expense of all other human activities and attributes. Homosexuals alone are seen and judged exclusively in terms of their sexuality. "But we are everywhere", declared Jackie Forster in a rousing affirmation, "and we can do anything!" A very alarming thought, of course, for those who do not wish to think for themselves and who find those stereotypes so reassuring.

Great Expectations
ATV

Michael Church

Criticisms first: there were moments during yesterday's episode *Great Expectations* when I felt like a student on an Open University sociology course, so heavy and flat were the narrator's comments. At another point I felt like a peeping Tom: it seemed indecent to stare so unabashed as the obliging young protagonists discussed and dramatized their mating habits. Bad sensations both.

But the rest is priase—for the imaginative producer/director Michael Darlow and for whichever enlightened mogul gave this series the go-ahead. In six weekly instalments *Great Expectations* is telescoping two crucial years in the life of a group of Newcastle adolescents as they impatiently cut free from school and hurl themselves into the inhospitable world of work beyond. From tim to time, through improvisation, they dramatize their own lives, but the real thing, on which the camera tirelessly eavesdrops, is much more dramatic and revelatory.

Like Roger Graef in his current series on the Communist Party, Darlow too has managed to win almost ubiquitous acceptance—in this case in parlours, bedrooms, discotheques, classrooms and careers offices. In contrast to the noiseless Graef, however, Darlow has adopted an aggressive stance which would be insufferable were it not for the fact that his influence is so clearly a kindly and constructive one, and that his is the sort of big-brother aggression on which these kids thrive. "You said you'd never cut your hair", says Darlow to David

Billy, in the local market now, wants to join the Royal Marines

Job, about to try to bluff his way into the navy as a helicopter pilot. "Money talks", says David, quick as a flash. Darlow: "It's the end of a principle." David (even quicker): "It's the beginning of a new one." Pow.

But all this is just surface: each encounter, each casual, flip conversation never seems quite free of the heavy significance which every aspect of life wears when one is 16. For the onlookers, too (and not just the teachers and social workers for whom it should be required viewing), this series is deeply significant. It comes closer than any programme ever has before to indicating the grim reality behind that banal, tired-sounding term "juvelle unemployment".

YSO of Japan/Tsutsumi
St Giles, Cripplegate

Judith Nagley

Following hard on Jeunesses Musicales at the Proms, another British-based organization, the International Festival of Youth Orchestras and the Performing Arts, has launched its tenth anniversary programme, the London leg of which takes place this week. Among the participating groups this year is the Youth Symphony Orchestra of Japan, formed four days ago especially for the festival. They made their debut on Wednesday under Shunsaku Tsutsumi.

It was a well-documented occasion; there were almost as many photographers in action during the performance as there were musicians.

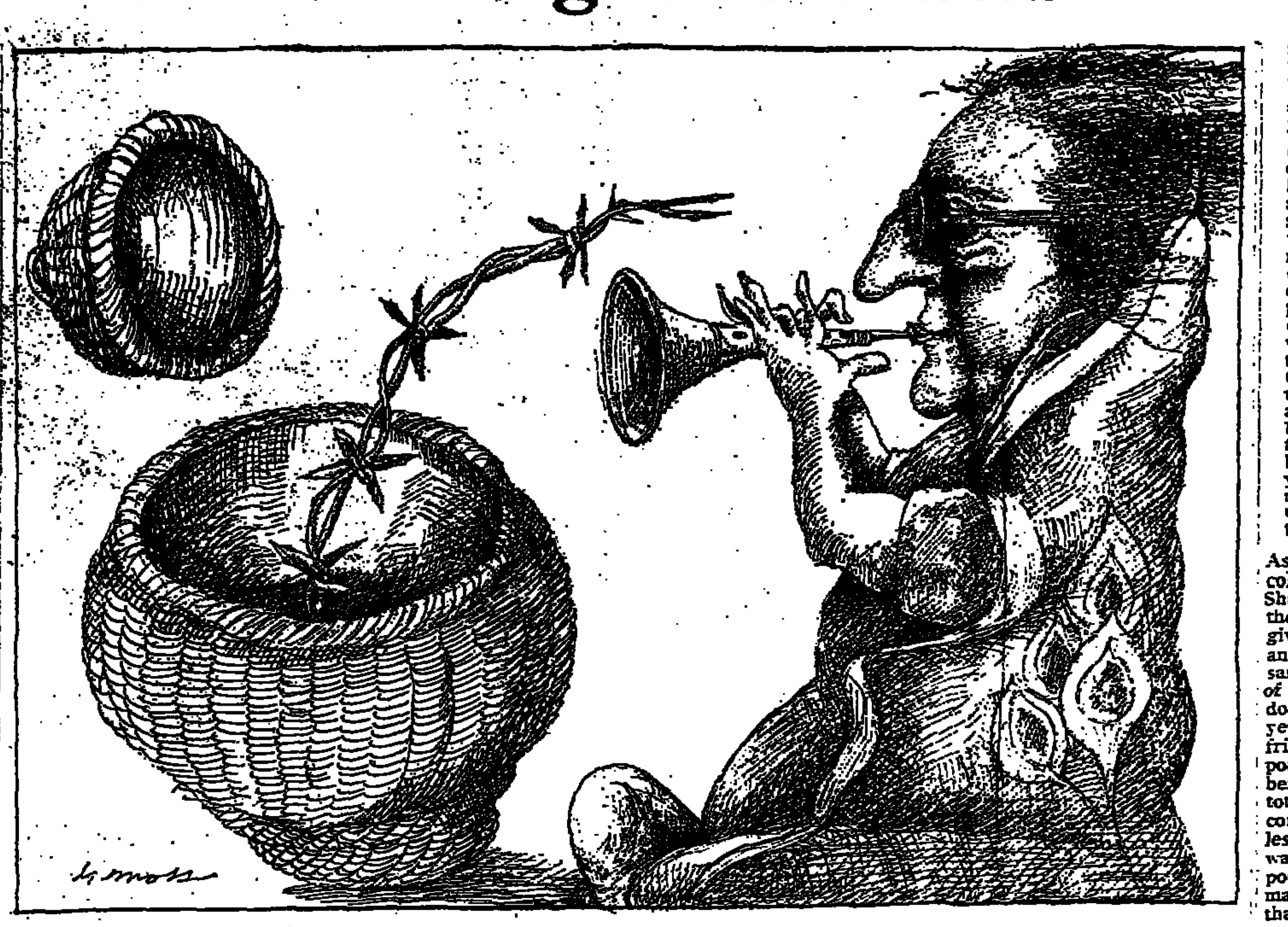
Despite the inevitable lack of rehearsal time, the players showed themselves talented soloists and experienced orchestral musicians. Weber's *Oberon* overture was nicely poised, and if its subtler dynamics were missing it was because the full orchestral sound was rather too big for the church.

After the first movement of Akutagawa's modal, Bartok-derived *Triptych*, Tchaikovsky's violin concerto was given an exciting performance by Kazuki Sawa, whose impeccable technique and sensitive phrasing will doubtless earn him future appearances in the West. His restricted view of the conductor led to some ensemble difficulties, but he was generally well supported; some of the care he had to lavish on the first movement could have been dispensed with if a faster tempo had been adopted.

Dvorak's eighth symphony showed the orchestra in its true colours: rich-toned lower woodwind, edgy brass, vibrant violas and cellos and nippy violins. The slow movement and finale were grandiose and triumphant, with Mr Tsutsumi alert to Dvorak's dramatic changes of mood.

Bernard Levin

Jail without trial: Mrs Gandhi's way of dealing with critics



In my last two columns I have discussed in some detail the evidence and findings of the Shah Commission, set up in India to investigate the events and practices of Mrs Gandhi's 20-month Emergency. I could only give a very small sample of the horrifying catalogue of excesses committed by her and her regime, of the violations of the criminal law and the Constitution, of the use of censorship and of grossly dishonest propaganda, of the subordination of everything and everyone in her sole aim, which was the retention of her power.

I could easily go on for another six columns without exhausting even the headings under which her activities are discussed in the report, let alone the examples given under each of them. I have, for instance, said nothing about the improper dismissals of loyal government and public servants who had displeased her or her son, or the equally improper appointments of those willing to follow her in her dictatorial activities; nor have I discussed the prosecutions, on baseless charges, of her opponents, or the special tax investigations ordered into their affairs, also without grounds for any suspicion; nor have I mentioned use of government officers and resources for party—indeed for personal—purposes; nor the requisitioning of buildings belonging to firms whose directors had opposed her; nor the attempt to get rid of judges whose independence stood in her way; nor the widespread demolition of whole areas of Delhi, with no authority but the arbitrary and illegal orders of Sanjay Gandhi, of which, after listing case after case, the Commission concludes:

> The manner in which the demolitions were carried out in Delhi during the emergency is an unrelieved story of illegality, callousness and of sickening sycophancy by the senior officers to play to the whims and fancies of Shri Sanjay Gandhi. In the absence of any information furnished by Shri Sanjay Gandhi regarding his version of the cases, the Commission has no alternative but to accept the evidence on record that he was the prime mover in a majority of the illegal demolition operations that took place in Delhi.

But I must go into detail on one more of the techniques used by Mrs Gandhi and her son and their obedient instruments to maintain and consolidate her power. It is the use of arrest and detention without trial as means of silencing those who opposed her rule, and of intimidating those who might do so. The Proclamation of Emergency, as I have shown, was fraudulently obtained, and was probably thus illegal *ab initio*; but even if it had not been, many of the arrests and detentions ordered under it were themselves illegal, the failure to comply with the law and the safeguards it provided being widespread. And of course, of those who were detained even without incidental illegality, a very large number were arrested not because they were, or even were thought to be, a danger to the state, but solely because they might thwart Mrs Gandhi's assumption of absolute rule.

The Shah Commission summarizes this particular aspect of Mrs Gandhi's Emergency in the following terms:

> In Delhi and in the States, which had advance information about the promulgation of Emergency, a large number of arrests/detentions followed in which the safeguards guaranteed against the misuse of the Act were ignored and grounds of detentions were not furnished in a large number of cases and in many cases grounds of detentions were prepared and even pre-dated and sent many days after the persons concerned had been arrested/detained in jails. In a number of cases grounds of detentions had no relevance to the factual positions and in a few cases grounds were fabricated. In many cases oral instructions were issued for arrests. In quite a few cases the persons were initially taken into custody under the preventive sections of law and thereafter detained. . . . This was the device, which appears to have been resorted to in the Union Territory of Delhi shortly after the promulgation of Emergency. A number of persons were arrested on false charges under section 108 or section 151 of the Code of Criminal Procedure or under both these sections. Such persons were produced before the Magistrates and the Magistrates in a number of cases either declined to grant bail or there was delay in effecting the orders of bail and in the meanwhile orders of detentions were procured from the Magistrates, which were passed not infrequently on non-existent or fabricated grounds. The manner in which the provisions were used was nothing short of perversion and mockery and all the safeguards and guarantees that had been promised in the Parliament were totally disregarded.
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> The Commission has to come to the conclusion in the light of the evidence on record that Mrs Indira Gandhi was responsible for directing the arrest and detention of a number of respected citizens without authority of law, motivated solely by a desire to continue to remain in power.

But the Commission also went into details. As, for instance:

> In the light of the evidence brought on record, the Commission feels that the decision to detain Shri Bhim Sen Sachar and seven others was taken by Mrs Gandhi which she got conveyed to the authorities in Delhi Administration through Shri Dhawan. The only fault of these eight gentlemen appears to have been the open letter that they had addressed to Mrs Gandhi. Prima facie the contents of the letter do not warrant the authors of the letter to be detained. . . . Mrs Indira Gandhi abused her position and misused her power in ordering the arrest of Shri Bhim Sen Sachar and seven others.

In another case the Commission found that there had been no evidence against the detainee, that he did not belong to any political party, that the Special Branch, after eight months of investigation, reported that there was nothing against him, and that the Intelligence Bureau had concluded that he had been detained because he had protested against the beating of a group of demonstrators. This provoked the Commission to the following statement:

> An Administration which is totally impervious to the awareness of the basic norms of liberty and the provisions of law, and a set of functionaries who are willing to do anything at the bidding of their seniors without application of mind and without realizing the consequences of their acts, have in them the makings of a totalitarian society.

Those are only two representative examples of the arbitrary and illegal exercise of power by Mrs Gandhi and her regime. The Commission lists many more, and makes clear that its list is itself only a sample. And Mr Justice Shah and his colleagues produce still further evidence of the increasingly totalitarian nature of Mrs Gandhi's rule:

> Another ugly feature of arrests and detentions in Delhi during emergency concerns the re-arrest of persons released on bail or otherwise by the Courts. A majority of such persons were re-arrested outside the jail gates.

Nor should we forget what happened to Mrs Gandhi's victims once they were behind bars:

> The jail was choked with people; sanitary arrangements were practically non-existent; there was a general shortage of water; standard of cleanliness was pitiably low; quality of food was poor; medical arrangements were inadequate and their cumulative effect was that the whole atmosphere in the jail was oppressive. Shri Kuldip Nayyar could not understand why a simple item like a pillow could not be provided to the détenues under the rules. He has stated that *dal* was the staple food and vegetables were supplied very rarely; and milk was just sufficient for the morning and evening tea. One could, however, get whatever one wanted by greasing the palms of some of the members of the staff who were always waiting to exploit such opportunities. He had told the Deputy Commissioner that one could understand the decision of the authorities to detain a person but one could not follow why the conditions in jail are deliberately kept so bad. Shri Nayyar was informed by some of the jail officials that they were under orders to make the détenues' life really miserable.

As I say, I have, in the three columns I have written on the Shar Commission's Inquiry into the Emergency in India, only given the sketchiest summary, and dwelt upon the smallest sample of individual instances, of what happened. The whole document makes frightening, yet invaluable, reading. It is frightening because of the portrait it paints of a society being driven down the road of totalitarianism by a callous, corrupt, mendacious and ruthless leader whose sole purpose was the maintenance of her power, and who, if she had not made the mistake of believing that an election would give her regime the legitimacy it lacked, would by now have succeeded in fastening upon India the chains of a permanent dictatorship.

And it is invaluable because it reminds us that it *was* a mistake that she made, because the Indian people, having experienced 20 months of growing authoritarianism, took their last chance of getting rid of it, and did so. After the election that resulted in Mrs Gandhi's overthrow, I concluded what I wrote on that occasion with these words:

> The Indian people . . . had sampled the quality of life under an authoritarian regime, and they were then offered the chance to turn that authoritarianism into real and lasting dictatorship. They rejected that alternative, and showed the way to those who supposed themselves India's betters. Let us salute them; and let us also resolve that when we are offered such a choice, we shall choose as India did.

I can only add now that the Report of the Shah Commission shows how right the Indian people were, and makes it all the more important for us to strengthen our resolve to ensure, should the same choice face us, that their lesson will not have been taught, or learned, in vain.

(Concluded)

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I am now going on holiday, and my column will not appear until I return. I beg the kindness of my readers in asking them not to write while I am away; no post will be forwarded, and the resultant monstrous pile awaiting me on return if my plea goes unheeded will not (I know this from grim experience) be nearly as pretty as Cézanne's *pictures of the Montagne Ste Victoire.* What passes for normal service will be resumed on Tuesday, September 12. Thank you.

A long wait for the unemployed?

Hopes that the long-term unemployed will be given the long-term rate of supplementary benefit now depend on whether it can be accepted as a priority for public expenditure. The argument for the reform now has wide acceptance, but it would cost an extra £33m a year.

The Government argues that the extra £33m cannot be offset against the estimated £300m a year saved because people do not claim benefits they are entitled to. Total estimates for the social security budget take into account the level of claims, it has no significant underspending, and granting any new title to benefit would have a cumulative effect on spending.

Nor can the accumulated surpluses of the past two years in the National Insurance fund be used. There are strict rules about how money is spent, and surpluses have to be invested in public stocks.

The reform must, therefore, be argued for in the context of new money being made available for social security. The cost is insignificant compared to the present budget of £13,000m a year on social security, two thirds of which goes to pensioners, widows and children. But other reforms accepted as desirable, including a comprehensive disability benefit, better pensions and child benefit, are rivals for any new money.

Giving the long term rate to the unemployed would give a married couple an extra £4.80 a week now, and £6.30 a week from November when benefits go up. It is a reform recommended as an urgent priority by the review of the supplementary benefits scheme, which was conducted by civil servants.

It is close to the heart of Mr Stanley Orme, Minister for Social Security, who has met no opposition from his colleagues. Only continuing to pay mobility allowance to disabled people after they reach retirement age, at a cost of £35m a year, rivals the measure as his top priority.

The idea is also now part of the joint TUC/Labour Party Document *Into the Eighties: An Agreement*, presented last week by the Prime Minister as the latest version of the social contract. But that policy document goes further by suggesting that the long-term rate of supplementary benefit should be paid after one year, not two. To do so for the unemployed would cost an extra £79m a year.

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Why flights over France got out of control

The 2,500 French air traffic controllers who last weekend were responsible for the chaotic situation in European airports and for delaying about 500,000 passengers, are not dangerous revolutionaries seeking to overthrow the established order. They are not even on strike. They last struck in 1973 for a month when military controllers took over and 68 people were killed when two Spanish airliners collided over Nantes. Since then they have been forbidden to strike. They have been working to rule—the only way, in their opinion, to put pressure on the Government to get their demands granted.

They have three demands: First, restoration of the right to strike. Secondly, better pay and working conditions, which they say have deteriorated steadily in the past few years. (Their month-long trial of strength with the government five years ago produced nothing). And lastly, improvement of the equipment placed at their disposal in the interests of air safety.

An air traffic controller is a skilled technician. He has to have his baccalaureat, pass a competitive examination, and take a two-year course at the school for civil aviation. Then he has to do two more years as a trainee in one of the country's four air control centres before he can become a fully fledged civil servant. His average earnings then are about Frs 6,000 (£700) a month, including allowances, which are between 40 and 50 per cent of his pay packet.

Towards the end of their career—they retire at 55—they can earn up to Frs 8,000 a month. This is not overpaid for the highly responsible job these men do in controlling 200,0000 aircraft movements over French air space each year.

The air traffic controllers' union's claim to be considered alongside the police and prison warders is *ultra vires*. Their work, they maintain, is a commercial activity, which earns revenue for the State through the dues paid by airlines. They ought to enjoy full trade union rights. They argue that while their basic pay is linked to the increased cost of living, and periodically raised, like all other civil servants, their allowances have not been adjusted since 1970.

Conditions of work are another bone of contention between the air traffic controllers and the state. The hours of work are too long, and the tension is too great, especially at peak periods, when air traffic over France increases by 20 per cent and a controller's heart beats 120 to the minute, instead of the normal 80. Their task, according to the unions, is complicated by the fact that 80 per cent of the air space over France is reserved for military aircraft, although commercial flights account for 90 per cent of the total traffic.

Military aircraft are controlled by military personnel working alongside civilian controllers. The unions claim that their task would be facilitated and their numbers would be increased, if the distinction between military and civilian controllers were abolished. The Defence Ministry opposes this for security reasons.

Each controller works an average week of 38 hours, while the unions maintain that 32 hours would be reasonable, and since mid-July they have been reducing the number of aircraft they control at any one time on their radar screens. Basically this means that instead of handling 20 to 25 aircraft at peak periods, each controller handles only about 12, and sometimes only eight.

"It is not a work-to-rule", M Christian Lung of the Christian Workers Union (CFTC) told me. "It is a movement of discontent."

"Work-to-rule." is in any case something of a misnomer. Contrary to the impression given in the press in the past few days, there are no clear-cut regulations laying down the maximum number of aircraft each controller should handle at one time, but there are various instructions and recommendations issued by different authorities concerned with air traffic. The Director of Air Navigation in the Ministry of Transport sent a circular to air traffic control centres a year or so ago, stating that for one controller to handle more than 15 aircraft at any one time was gambling with security. These norms are often exceeded and it is left to the judgment of each air traffic controller to decide how many aircraft he can deal with.

When the particular sector for which he is responsible is saturated, he turns to the head of the control centre, who decides either to divide up the sector, or to reduce traffic in the area. His work is therefore a highly responsible one which calls for quickness and judgment. It is yet another reason for the men's bitterness over the Government's failure to give them what they regard as their due.

Their last argument is that in the light of the steady increase in air traffic over France in the past few years, the equipment they use is inadequate.

The unions argue that the increase in air traffic calls for more more staff and more sophisticated equipment. The modernization of radar installations which began in 1968 has not yet been completed. The capacity of computers has been doubled and even trebled, but is still inadequate. Telephone links with other control centres abroad are unreliable. All this means that a distance of 15 miles has to be allowed for between two aircraft in flight, while five miles would be adequate with more sophisticated equipment.

The Government seems to acknowledge the justice of this contention, although the Minister of Transport, in a broadcast earlier this week, claimed that French air traffic control installations were "at least equivalent to those of other developed countries". He emphasized, however, that the transport budget for next year would make provision for the creation of a new air traffic control centre at Rheims, to relieve the pressure on the one at Athis Mons, and that all new jobs to be created in commercial aviation next year would be for air traffic control.

On the same occasion, the Minister emphasized that the number of aircraft handled by each traffic controller was down to eight, whereas the normal average was 14.

The Director for Commercial Aviation stressed that in the past eight years the number of air traffic controllers has more than doubled, while traffic has only risen by 50 per cent. The unions do not dispute that. There were only 1,200 traffic controllers in 1970, as compared to 4,500 now. But they still see this is inadequate.

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CAIRO DIARY

Supermarkets stock up for Ramadan fast

Students of the many apparent inconsistencies in the Arab world were rewarded richly last Friday when the Cairo newspaper *Al Akmbar* reassured its readers that the supermarkets of the Egyptian capital had begun to prepare for the holy month of Ramadan by storing 40,000 extra tons of food that would go on sale at the beginning of next week.

Without the slightest hint of tongue-in-cheek, the newspaper quoted details of the commodities that would be available at one of the biggest chains of stores for the traditional period of Muslim fasting: it included 10,000 tons of sugar, 100 tons of tea and 1,000 tons of lentils. Not to be outdone, the manager of another supermarket group pledged that twice as much food as last year would be available in his shops during Ramadan this year.

Like Christmas, Easter and other familiar religious festivals that have fallen foul of commercial exploitation, the 30 days of Ramadan (an Arabic word meaning sun-baked or parched) have undergone some transformation at the hands of big business. In many respects, on the other hand, the period remains a sobering and incongruous reminder of the strength of Islam among the increasingly modern trends of everyday life in the Middle East.

In Egypt, where Muslims are traditionally much laxer in their observance than countries such as Saudi Arabia, it is still only the small intellectual minority who do not observe the command of the Prophet Muhammad to fast from sunrise to sunset.

The great majority also refrain from drinking, smoking and, in the case of the most devout, even from swallowing their own saliva. Ramadan, being a lunar month that moves annually, has fallen this year in one of the hottest periods when daily temperatures in the dusty streets of Cairo can often exceed 38°C (100°F).

As has now become familiar, the argument has raged among the faithful recently about whether the beginning of the holy month should be assessed by physical observation or scientific calculation.

It seems that most Muslims still prefer to rely on a sighting of the crescent of the new moon to indicate that Ramadan has begun. Some also still adhere to the traditional Islamic method of assessing when daybreak has begun and the fast should start, the moment being when there is sufficient light to distinguish clearly between a length of black and white thread.

The topsy-turvy existence of most of Cairo's 10 million citizens is due to last until the beginning of September, affecting the political, commercial and industrial life of Egypt severely. Most of those adhering to strict rules of Ramadan survive throughout on a maximum of four hours' sleep a night which, combined with lack of food and drink, produces unpredictable bursts of temper over the most trivial incidents.

There is no reason to doubt also that this year, as before, the fast will lead to a dramatic increase in fatal road accidents, family quarrels and the notorious surliness of the petty officials who dominate so many aspects of Egyptian life.

It can also cause serious problems in the event of epidemics of diseases such as cholera, as many Muslims refuse to allow themselves or their children to be vaccinated between sunrise and sunset.

At the same time, the gaiety of the nightly round of visits and gargantuan family feasts give the month a flavour which many Egyptians look forward to throughout the year. The celebrating begins soon after sunset, when the Muslims end their fast with a heavy meal known as *infitar*, or, literally, breakfast.

The bizarre blend of ancient and modern that makes up Ramadan is visible just before this as groups of workmen gather round transistors, waiting for the call to prayer that means their daily ordeal is over.

The merrymaking continues for most of the night. Some prefer the endless re-runs of old films on television; others head to the Al Azhar and Husain mosques where jugglers and puppet shows compete with stalls selling traditional sweet cakes and juices.

Two hours before dawn, men with small tambourines make their way through the residential districts carrying the message that the sun will soon be rising. This is the sign for families to return to the table to eat the *sohour*, the last meal before fasting begins again.

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Afterwards the hands are washed. If during the day they are shaken by a non-Muslim, they must be washed again immediately.

In spite of the inevitable commercialization, there is considerable evidence that, in its essential characteristics, the observance of Ramadan has changed little over the years. There are many expatriates in Cairo who would agree with the assessment made by Edward Lane, the enterprising English-born Arabist whose book *Manners and customs of the modern Egyptians* was first published in 1836.

"The streets in the morning have a dull appearance, many of the shops being shut", he wrote. "But in the afternoon they are as much crowded as usual and all the shops are open.

"The Muslims during the daytime, while fasting, are generally speaking very morose. In the night, after breakfast, they are unusually affable and cheerful. . . . There are few among the poor who do not keep the fast, but many persons of the higher and middle classes break it in secret."

Although there are certain notable exceptions to the no-eating and no-drinking rule (including the sick, pregnant women and travellers), the arrival of Ramadan is regarded by some observers as a serious setback to economic progress in Egypt and elsewhere in the Arab world.

It is resented particularly by the new breed of revolutionary young Arabs who look towards Marxism. It still remains regarded by most Muslims, however, as the most important religious act. Many are prepared to endure its restrictions although they have long abandoned daily prayers.

In the recent past, attempts to abolish the ritualistic mass fasting or bring it more into line with the needs of the modern world have provoked little sympathetic response. The most imaginative idea for reform cam from President Bourguiba of Tunisia who suggested that the struggle of the Muslim world against poverty and backwardness should be declared a *jihad* (holy war), one of the instances in which the normal rules of Ramadan are lifted. Other suggestions, such as a relaxation to allow water to be drunk during the day, have fallen on equally deaf ears.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

SCRUTINY BY THE COMMONS

ne report of the Select Committee on Procedure which was pub- shed yesterday may prove to be historic document in British urliamentary history. The principal recommendation is for a w systematic structure of select mmittees to scrutinize all tivities of government on half of the House of Commons. ere can be no assurance that is will be accepted. The report s come out at the tail-end of a ssion which is widely expected be the last before the general ection. There are all the forces inertia and tradition ranged ainst any substantial parliaentary reform. And there are any powerful and eloquent ponents of this particular ange, for it would shift the lance of parliamentary activity. That is the purpose. No matter w much drama may attach to e proceedings on the floor of e chamber it is impossible for House of 635 members adeately to hold to account a govnment backed by all the sources of the Civil Service. It not feasible in such a forum to estion at length, to acquire formation in detail, or to amine policy in depth. To perm those functions it is necesry to supplement the exchanges the floor of the House with e more specialized scrutiny of vernment policies and propols in committees. That has been e experience of most other gislatures in the western world. e House too has its committees, good many of them. But they not provide a systematic ucture, they lack the necessary wers and they do not exercise proper degree of influence.

The most important aspect of is report is simply that it proves a coherent structure of lect committees which would designed to play a more subntial part in the proceedings Parliament. This deserves to welcomed enthusiastically. If is implemented—and, for all e opposition, there is evidence a growing determination nong backbenchers of all rties to have a more assertive le—then it will mean a progressive change in the disposition of power within the House. It may, with luck, lead to the more effective scrutiny of legislation, public expenditure and executive activities.

But while applauding the broad strategy it is also necessary to ask whether the detailed proposals are well fitted to achieve these purposes. The report recommends that there should be a select committee to cover each government department, either singly or in groups, and that this structure should replace the Expenditure Committee, with its six sub-committees, and the various select committees on particular subjects. It is a difficult choice whether the jurisdictions of committees should be determined by subject matter or the divisions between government departments. But the report is in all probability right: this would be the best way to avoid overlapping and to ensure that all government activities were covered.

No structure of select committees is likely to be effective, however, unless they are reasonably well staffed. Members need to be in a position to question in depth, and to dispute the judgment of, ministers backed by the research and advice of the Civil Service. Even the most conscientious MP, with many other responsibilities, is unlikely to be able to do that consistently without a certain amount of specialist assistance. At the moment nearly all select committees are ludicrously badly staffed, yet there is a good deal of reluctance to extend the specialist staffing arrangements significantly for fear of repeating the American mistake where a profusion of staff too often virtually run the committees. The report makes modest proposals for improving the staffing of British select committees. These are sensible enough so far as they go, but it may be necessary to put the staffing of select committees on a more systematic basis—possibly by giving the task to an expanded Exchequer and Audit Department, a solution to which the report points rather tentatively.

The key question, though, is whether the new select committees should be greater powers than the present ones. The report suggests that standing committees, which process legislation, should be given the right to hear evidence from witnesses inside and outside Parliament before considering the details of a Bill; but it does not propose that select committees should have any legislative powers. It wants these committees to examine departmental estimates in their fields, but it does not offer select committees any power to control public expenditure beyond the right to express an opinion—though this part of the report must be regarded as an interim statement as the Select Committee on Procedure intends to provide a later statement on parliamentary control of finance.

There are three arguments for proceeding cautiously over extending the powers of select committees. There is the danger of frightening off the doubters by too radical a reform; the case for not overloading the system until it has been tried; and the risk of destroying the less adversarial atmosphere of select committees which distinguishes them from standing committees and the floor of the chamber. But most of the existing select committees are so largely ineffective because those who serve on them and those who are scrutinized by them know that their findings can if necessary be ignored unless they produce really embarrassing disclosures—which is what gives the Public Accounts Committee its political muscle. But its function is limited. If the new select committees are to be effective they need to have powers which make it in the interest of ministers and senior civil servants to engage in constructive dialogue with them, not just to avoid having their mistakes discovered by them. That means that the committees require some powers over legislation and public expenditure.

IR DAVID ASKS FOR TOO MUCH

hen Sir Robert Mark delivered now famous Dimbleby lecture 1973 his plea for the legal lance between the police and criminal to be tilted in our of the former concented to a large extent on the cused's so-called right to ence. Sir Robert's successor Metropolitan Police Commismer, Sir David McNee, has ken the opportunity provided the Royal Commission on iminal Procedure to call for a ich more comprehensive engthening of police powers, ecting almost every stage of criminal process. He has not nced his demands. If everyng he has asked for were to be nted England and Wales uld probably have a police ce with greater legal powers n those of any state not sub t to a totalitarian regime. ere is no doubt that, if lemented the changes he poses would allow more ninals to be caught by the ce and convicted by the rts. The question is: with it social consequences, and at it cost to the innocent ividual?

ew would quarrel with Sir id's thesis that much of the governing police powers is lated, inconsistent, inadete or uncertain. There is a ng chapter in his memoran comparing the considerable ers of search which the ce sometimes have in dealing quite trivial offences with lack of similar powers availto them when investigating ies as serious as murder. rly that is unsatisfactory and ls to be remedied. But the missioner goes much further than. He asks for more nsive powers of stop and ch generally, of people, proy and vehicles. Where he ds his proposals on equate police powers to stigate a committed or imminent crime, in cases where there is reasonable suspicion of the involvement of the person or property in question, they ought to be seriously considered. But he wants too much when he asks for the police to be allowed to set up road blocks merely on the grounds that so doing "may prove a fruitful source" of the discovery or prevention of crime. That introduces an unacceptably random element in the relationship between the police and the public at large. The same is true of the suggested power to conduct "spot searches" in certain circumstances. The "fishing expedition" principle is not one which should be allowed to make too many inroads into our system of justice. The criterion of direct reasonable suspicion ought to be retained.

The Commissioner's proposals for increasing police powers to take fingerprints and photographs also go too far. It is right that where a fingerprint (or blood or other body sample) is a necessary element in the investigation and solution of a crime, the police ought not to be hindered in obtaining that print or sample. There can also be no objection to having on file the prints and photographs of persons convicted of serious crimes. Sir David, however, wants them to be taken, and kept, of people that have been convicted of a crime resulting in any sentence of imprisonment (even suspended) or disqualification. He would also take—and file—photographs of all people charged, even if, for example, the charge was not proceeded with or the defendant subsequently acquitted. That is spreading the net too widely.

Sir David, like his predecessor in office, wants to see an end to the suspect's right to remain silent under interrogation without this counting against him at a subsequent trial; consequently, he wants the existing caution abolished and replaced by one which tells an accused that he is at risk if he chooses not to answer questions. But Sir David, like Sir Robert before him, has failed to meet one of the main objections to such a change: the abolition of the right to silence can be countenanced only if the police can be trusted utterly to note and subsequently relate truthfully exactly what the suspect has said under interrogation, and to use no unscrupulous methods against him. Unfortunately, experience has shown that, in too many cases, such confidence cannot be placed in the police's behaviour and veracity. A similar objection can be taken to the proposal to allow a suspect to be kept in detention for 72 hours before a charge need be laid. These extensions cannot be safely granted until there are adequate means of surveillance of police interrogation.

The introduction of tape recording of police interrogation has been suggested to meet these points, and it is regrettable that Sir David has come down against the idea, particularly as it can do as much to protect the police against malicious allegations as help the suspect.

What goes for the interrogation stage is also relevant to other proposals made by Sir David. If there could be confidence that the police would not abuse increased powers of search or arrest or fingerprinting or detention it would be easier to grant them such powers. Much of what Sir David says about the disadvantages under which his police labour in their fight against crime is true. Many of the reforms he proposes should be implemented. But he has asked for too much, and has provided too few safeguards against deliberate abuse or inadvertent excess.

ialist candidates

Professor Julius Gould

t is easy to see why the Prime ter, when invited yesterday estion time to comment on the ion of Jimmy Reid as the r Party candidate for Dundee should seek to evade the issue smissing the invitation as a arthyite sneer". But even by andards of political repartee to Mr Callaghan has accustomed is, to say the least, odd that nt on, according to your Parliary report, to make diver y (and, of course, non-Mc ite) noises about "any former unists employed in the Centre olitical (sic) Studies of the vative Party".

will dispute that there has steady and well documented ent into constituency Labour politics by Marxists of various —some of whom have of late he Communist Party. Such s, understandably enough, the Labour Party in order to te the form of socialism the Communist Party on its s incapable of advancing. is similar zeal for the pro of socialism shown by Com s and former Communists the trade union movement. can be little disagreement on cts of the matter—though, naturally, there may be argument about its importance.

On the other hand—if, as may be the case, there are some other former Communists who, abjuring socialism in all its forms, come to join the Conservative Party, their motives and aspirations are entirely different. Mr Callaghan is entitled not to admire those motives—but he must know the difference. Why, then does he pretend not to do so?

Yours sincerely,
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August 2.

Labour and socialism

From Miss Mary Gough

Sir, Mr Ben Vincent (July 27) is apparently trying to encourage people like me—disappointed ex-socialists—not to lose their faith in Labour Party government. Everything he says is doubtless true, but what he does not say is that adherents of Schumacher, believers in self help, enemies of paternalism, and conservationists can equally be found in the Conservative Party, which is also true.

It is self evident that when the election comes we shall be voting for or against the present Labour Government, not for or against a sector within the socialist movement. It is therefore appropriate to consider the stature of the Cabinet, its acts and its chosen partners. The Prime Minister, whose speech in the economic debate reminded me of my father's old saying "he knew not what to say and so he swore", has just made another pact with the trade unions, one member of which told me some years ago at the Trafalgar Square rally against the Industrial Relations Act that "people like you don't matter", because I favoured respect for the law. I have no doubt that that man would say something equally irrelevant and insulting to the self help socialists Mr Vincent has described.

It would seem equally self evident that all those who detest the Cabinet, the trade unions and the communists should study the realities of what they will be voting for and refuse support to a Cabinet which has allowed its legislative programme to be dictated by trade unions and to a party which allows communists to stand as its candidates.

Yours faithfully,
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Resolving the crisis in Rhodesia

From Mr David Price, MP for Eastleigh (Conservative), and Mr Patrick McNair-Wilson, MP for New Forest (Conservative)

Sir, That the situation in Rhodesia is steadily deteriorating seems to be agreed by all recent visitors to that unhappy land. Whether the planned handover of power to "majority rule" at the end of the year under the internal settlement can be effected peacefully seems to be open to grave doubt. Even greater doubt is thrown on the credentials and the capabilities of the new African government likely to emerge on January 1, 1979. Gruesome forecasts are being made.

In these circumstances, is there no initiative left to our own Government to effect a peaceful transfer of power in Rhodesia to "majority rule"? Might we suggest that the following initiatives be pursued:

1. That Mr Ian Smith be invited to end "UDI" and to return to his former loyalty to his Sovereign. Mr Smith has little to lose in making such a gesture. He has only got a few months left as the Rhodesian leader. If he did so, Rhodesia would then return to semi-dominion status.

2. That a high commissioner be sent out to be the head of government in Rhodesia; that he uses the present interim government as his instrument so that the internal settlement is not immediately dissolved.

3. That the Rhodesian armed forces would thereby return to their former loyalties and could be strengthened and supplied from the West as necessary.

4. That the economic sanctions would cease automatically because Rhodesia would no longer be in rebellion against the Crown.

5. That the timetable of the internal settlement would be maintained but the arrangements for the elections would come under the High Commissioner and thus would be properly supervised.

6. That with the knowledge that a new government based on "majority rule" was to come into power on January 1, 1979, the High Commissioner would be in a much stronger position to invite Mr Nkomo to take part in the forthcoming elections.

7. That an amnesty be offered to all terrorists (sometimes called "freedom fighters") currently in the bush who surrender their arms and return to normal life.

8. That on the establishment of the new government after the general election the High Commissioner would return home immediately, his mission having been fulfilled.

The choice of High Commissioner would be vital. We would propose that he should be a very senior and experienced statesman rather than a soldier. One or two names spring immediately to mind.

Yours faithfully,
DAVID PRICE,
PATRICK McNAIR-WILSON,
House of Commons.
July 28.

Peak demand on airways

From Mr Adam Thomson

Sir, I refer to your editorial (August 1), "Have mercy on air travellers". In my opinion although 1978 North Atlantic passenger figures overall will increase, that element of the increase solely attributable to new low fares will be small compared with the size of the market.

Recent bunching and resultant scenes of chaos and camping in London's streets are largely the result of substantial diversion from programmed ABC charters to the relatively uncontrollable peak demand from erstwhile charter passengers seeking theoretically simpler stand-by services. Nothing could make this point clearer than the Civil Aviation Authority decision allowing Laker Airways to carry excess Skytrain passengers in its own empty charter seats.

Low cost charters which accounted for about 30 per cent of the market last year are being killed off. Once there were seven British airlines operating North Atlantic charter programmes—now there are two with empty seats in this peak season. Meanwhile US charter airlines have serious problems.

Another reason for recent stand-by problems is the diversion of passengers from other airports to "gateway" airports offering stand-by arrangements. 1978 is regarded as an experimental year and the effect of the new low fares has yet to be evaluated. It is the responsibility not only of the industry but also the authorities here and in the USA to ensure that sound evaluation is carried out. Consumers have a right to the lowest possible fares but they want stability too.

It was not only Skytrain but also policies originating in Washington that led to previously unacceptable fare concepts for scheduled services. Skytrain is a one class stand-by scheduled service. You do the multi-class scheduled operators an injustice. Year round multi-class scheduled services are absolutely vital to the international business community. Innovations of many kinds have been introduced in the face of constraints not applicable to other services. Your readers might be surprised to know that 70 per cent of the 1977 market flew at low promotional fares provided by those big bad wolves, the scheduled service airlines.

British Caledonian has introduced the "three cabin concept" (first, executive and thrift classes) on its Houston flights. All categories of demand, including low fare stand-by are met and each cabin is economically self sufficient. The passenger has a choice of service and only pays for what he wants. British Airways and other airlines have proposed similar schemes. Such services answer charges of underpricing one seat compared with another on the same aircraft.

If such services and Skytrain were complemented by programmed peak season ABC charter flights I believe that the current problems would be solved. Peak period chaos will highlight the advantages of advance booking charters.

Medium and long term solutions must certainly be found this winter and those in authority should have regard to the well-being of the consumer and a vital industry and not simply adopt short term solutions which may appear to be politically popular.

Yours faithfully,
ADAM THOMSON,
Chairman British Caledonian Airways Ltd,
London Airport—Gatwick.
August 3.

From Mr Terence Davis

Sir, London, as every middle-aged Londoner and ex-Londoner could not fail to notice, has deteriorated rapidly in recent years environmentally. Streets are no longer as clean as before, parks are also full of litter and postwar high-rise buildings, ill placed and often hideous, have not helped the general aspect.

At the present moment the area round Victoria station is a vast camping area for those waiting for Laker's cheap air tickets to the USA. In torrential rain they huddle in plastic masses on pavements forming queues in streets well outside the station itself for days and nights on end. Should not some form of accommodation be provided by the airlines themselves, thus ensuring that at least the basic facilities of shelter and lavatories are to hand and that Londoners can use their station and its surroundings without the current sordid chaos?

Yours faithfully,
TERENCE DAVIS,
Moon's,
Wadhurst,
Sussex.

Moscow Olympics

From Professor Ilya Glezer

Sir, With the Olympic Games in Moscow now the subject of international discussion, may I be permitted, in freedom, to express my opinion and the opinion of my friends still imprisoned in the Soviet Union?

What a paradox that Olympic Games, built on the ideals of international brotherhood, freedom of expression and human respect, will be held in a country where the official policy is the oppression of individual rights and the suppression of communication. I speak as one who has suffered humiliation, indignity and harassment in a psychiatric hospital, labour camp and exile and I speak on behalf of the many thousands who are incarcerated still in the hell that is the Soviet system of punishment. The evidence provided by the trials of Shcharansky, Slepak, Nudel, Begun, Orlov, Ginzburg, Pratkus and others, establish, without a shadow of a doubt, that the Soviet signature to the Helsinki agreement is a mockery.

I am sure that in Moscow during the Games foreign visitors and Olympic competitors will be effectively isolated from Soviet citizens and especially from Jewish and non-Jewish dissidents. Therefore, I ask all those involved in the Olympic Games to question the morality of participating in them. Have you forgotten the Olympics of 1936 in Hitler Germany, when fascists cleared their country of Jews and other dissidents? Would you like to visit Moscow cleared by the KGB of dissidents through a series of political trials?

I am in favour of the Olympic Games in Moscow *only* if all prisoners of conscience will be freed from psychiatric hospitals, prisons and camps, when exilers will return from exile. Only when the Soviet Union adheres to human rights should the Games commence.

Yours faithfully,
ILYA GLEZER,
Professor of Neuroanatomy,
Ben Gurion University of the Negev,
c/o 34 Elm Tree Road, NW8.

Museum of Costume

From Mrs D. Langley Moore

Sir, Mr Philip Howard, in his article of July 19, has told how it comes about that all the contents of the main exhibition room of the Museum of Costume in Bath are to be relegated to the basement to make way for a new bar. In commenting, if you will allow space, on the misguidedness of the plan, I must first disclaim the honour Mr Howard ascribed to me of having given Elizabethan shirts and coifs and notable items that would have been beyond my means as a private collector. These were lent or presented by other benefactors.

But I did bring to the Assembly Rooms some thousands of garments and much necessary equipment, and assuredly I should not have done so had I known that the earliest and most valuable specimens were to end in a basement which, however well arranged, can never have the right proportions for clothes meant to be worn in lofty and grand surroundings. I am delighted that the hideous bar at present disfiguring the building is, thanks to an anonymous donor, to be removed, but if a new bar must be given precedence over a successful exhibition, then a room built on, as formerly proposed, would be far more adaptable and less costly then remodelling the basement.

The site shown to me as suitable for such an annexe is quite inconspicuous, but various conservation societies are said to have objected to it. The Bath authorities have defied conservation societies on more than one occasion, and, in particular, when they installed, despite strong protests, the bar soon to be demolished. They might at least have put up a fight for this worthier cause.

A world-famous collection of costumes attracting hundreds of thousands of visitors surely deserves as much respect from conservationists as a small space at the back of a building which was severely bombed and is by no means in its original condition.

I am, Sir, Yours obediently,
DORIS LANGLEY MOORE,
5 Prince Albert Road, NW1
July 26.

Israel and the Palestinians

From Mr Jon Kimche

Sir, I feel that the latest of Lord Caradon's many passionate pleas for Palestinian independence in *The Times* (articles, July 31 and August 1) would have carried greater weight had he—and his like-minded friends—not been so ostentatiously silent on this subject between 1948 and 1967 when the West Bank Palestinians and those in the Gaza Strip were living under so much harsher Jordanian and Egyptian military occupation.

Nor can I recall getting any support for the long and lonely campaign we conducted in the *Jewish Observer* and *Middle East Review* until 1967 and, later, in the *New Middle East*, except from the late Dag Hammarskjold who had some very original ideas on this topic. On the contrary, until 1974 the PLO leadership—and its supporters—denounced the concept of an independent Palestinian state and the many representative West Bank Palestinians who favoured the idea when it was still practicable.

The October war, the conflicts in the Lebanon, Arab hostility to President Sadat and many more all-too-evident pointers of Arab disunity—and, not least, the close links of the PLO with Moscow—are today surely much greater obstacles to the establishment of a genuinely independent Palestinian state than is "Israeli inflexibility".

Yours sincerely,
JON KIMCHE,
Camilla Lacey Lodge,
Westhumble, Dorking.

From Mr J. Bernard Cohen

Sir, "Why Israel must come to terms with the Palestinians", by Lord Caradon.

Admirable as this gentleman's views may appear that Israel should negotiate with the Palestinians, the idea is as practicable as a British Government treating with the IRA.

It is very easy to indicate what others should do when one is not personally involved as for instance when one's own sovereignty or existence is not at stake.

The Irish problem created by England several hundreds of years ago is still very much with us.

It would be better if Lord Caradon could use his great wisdom to solve the situation in Ulster so that others like Israel and the Palestinians might be able to follow our example rather than our advice.

Yours faithfully,
JACK COHEN,
Butterstreet Cottages,
Nonington, Dover.

From Mr Christopher Mayhew

Sir, Lord Caradon's articles were excellent of their kind; but is there really much point in formulating peace plans for the Middle East which make no provision for the coercion of Israel?

The Caradon proposals offer security for Israel, justice for the Palestinians and peace for the Middle East, and are already broadly acceptable to virtually the entire non-Israel world, including the Nato and Warsaw Pact countries, the Third World, the Palestinians themselves and the peoples (if not the governments) of the Arab rejectionist states. Yet they are largely academic because, as Lord Caradon himself repeatedly insists, the Israelis will not look at them.

For over ten years experienced and persuasive people have been trying to argue the Israelis into withdrawing from the occupied territories. They have failed, and the situation has become worse.

The United Nations recently resolved by 131 votes to one (Israel's own vote) that the Israeli settlements in Arab territory were a breach of the Geneva Conventions and an obstacle to peace. The Security Council should surely now be asked to consider a programme of graduated sanctions against Israel while this policy of settlement continues.

Yours etc.
CHRISTOPHER MAYHEW,
As from: 39 Wool Road,
Wimbledon SW20.

Level of MPs' salaries

From Mr G. R. Strauss, MP for Vauxhall (Labour)

Sir, Mr David Wood in his July 31 article rightly says that Members of Parliament have been and still are "squalidly underpaid", and that "the blame belongs to Governments on both sides who were electoral cowards". It is a pity he does not complete the story. If he had he would have added that the Governments acted as they did for fear of a hostile public reaction stimulated and fanned by the Press whenever increases in Members' salaries are proposed. And not just by the sensational Press but by influential and responsible newspapers including *The Times*.

I had personal experience of this in 1954. Then, in view of the glaring inadequacy of Members' pay, the Government set up a Select Committee under the chairmanship of Henry Brooke (now Lord Brooke of Cumnor) to consider what should be done. I was one of its members. It published a unanimous and carefully argued report recommending that Members' salaries should be raised from £1,000 to £1,500 a year. This would have done no more than compensate for the increased cost of living since salaries had last been fixed. It considered that £1,500 would be acceptable only on condition that it was linked to a pension scheme.

The Press set up the usual howl of indignation about Members voting themselves money when widows, old age pensioners and others had to live in poverty. The worst offender in my opinion was *The Times*. Not because its comments were so shrill but because of its influence on the establishment. Its argument was subtle. Its leader, while agreeing that Members were underpaid, suggested that a £1,500 salary would turn them into whole-time Members which was undesirable. And it considered the pension proposal "utterly indefensible" with "alarming implications", in that it would complete the process.

In the face of this and similar Press attacks the Government turned the report down. It substituted for the £1,500 figure the previous £1,000 with an additional £2 for each sitting, which came to much less. The pension scheme was dismissed and Members had to wait ten years and for a change in Government before one was enacted.

The Times leader was followed by many letters, some approving and others disapproving, and when Mr Brooke, the chairman of the Select Committee, wrote a powerful letter to the Editor of *The Times* setting out the arguments in favour of its recommendation, the letter was not published. It was returned to him with the comment that the Editor had closed the correspondence.

So it is not Governments alone who are responsible for the "squalid underpayment of MPs".

Yours sincerely,
G. R. STRAUSS,
House of Commons.
August 2.

Rewards of authorship

From Mr Brian W. Aldiss

Sir, In "Whatever happened to the great British novelist?" (article, July 29) Ion Trewin mentions an apparent increase in the numbers of playwrights and a decrease in the numbers of novelists. If this is so, two factors would help explain the altered balance.

Firstly, there is the immense amount of subsidy which goes to playwrights, in the form of grants to them or to theatres, as opposed to a levy on novelists, who contribute almost 500 million free readings of their books through the public library system per year.

Secondly, as *The Times* itself bears witness, even a slight play receives wide coverage, with its author and possibly one of its actors or its subject matter getting additional space ("Paul Robeson" is one current example). Many novelists, on the other hand, count themselves fortunate to get two column inches of your review space. In this respect, journalism and the TV medium work for the writer of plays. Yet eminent playwrights testify that they can write a play in a week; novels are more complex and require much longer.

I can think of many novelists whose names are not mentioned by Ion Trewin (or in *The New Review*, on which his piece is based). Their merits go largely unsung because of the literary pecking orders we observe, but they too are part of our creative heritage.

Yours faithfully,
BRIAN ALDISS,
11 Charlbury Road, Oxford.

Paul Scott's work

From Mr A. R. Frewen

Sir, I was surprised that your Literary Editor (July 29), naming as "a handful of our best talents" five British novelists that the 20 years after the end of the Second World War had produced, omitted the late Paul Scott.

Am I alone in thinking that the four novels that make up the *Raj Quartet* are better than anything we have had since the end of the war and can stand without apology in the ranks of the Great Victorians?

Yours faithfully,
A. R. FREWEN,
11 Lexham Gardens, W8.

Currency debasement

From Mr P. J. B. Steele

Sir, In his letter on Byzantine currency in today's issue (July 20), Mr Edward Maynard Pinkey attributes the decline of the Empire to the debasement of the coinage after 1081. He neglects to mention that this course was forced on the Emperor Alexius Comnenus as a consequence of the defeat of his predecessor, Romanus Diogenes, at Manzikert in 1071. Following the destruction of the Roman field-army there, the Turks were able to overrun Asia Minor, the main source of the Empire's men and revenues. When Alexius, together with the Crusaders, reconquered this area it had been largely depopulated and its agriculture ruined. The debasement of the currency was, therefore, a desperate necessity born of the loss of the true wealth of the nation; a symptom not the cause of the decline.

The British Empire was never fundamental to the power and influence of the UK as Anatolia was to Byzantium. The nearest analogy to the defeat of Manzikert in our experience was the long drawn decline in our industrial potential relative to other major economies and the simultaneous expansion of our expectations as to what our economy should provide us. The combination of these factors has caused successive governments to undertake the debasement of our currency, exacerbating and compounding the consequences of the fundamental ills, but not causing them.

Yours faithfully,
PETER J. B. STEELE,
81 Waterloo Road,
Aldershot.

'Retained in England'

From Mr Geoffrey Gorer

Sir, I wish to protest against your use of the word "saved" when you mean "retained in England". In today's paper (August 2), there is the headline "De la Mare papers saved"; and the same inaccurate term has frequently been used in connexion with the Stubbs paintings of Warwick Castle. It is inaccurate as well as discourteous to suggest that these papers and paintings would have been in any peril if they went to their American purchasers; they would probably have been better looked after and would certainly have been as available to interested scholars.

Yours faithfully,
GEOFFREY GORER,
Sunte House,
Haywards Heath.

COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE
August 3: The Prince of Wales disembarked from HM Yacht Britannia at Falmouth today.

Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother celebrates her seventy-eighth birthday today.

Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips has appointed the Hon Mrs Legge-Bourke to be an extra lady-in-waiting.

Birthdays today

Mr *Paul Beard*, 77; *Sir George* Godber, 70; Air Marshal Sir Victor Groom, 80; General Sir Reginald Hewetson, 70; *Lord Hewlett*, 55; Sir Osbert Lancaster, 70; Professor E. E. Rich, 74; Sir Frederick Tymms, 89; *Sir Thomas* Wedderspoon, 74.

Today's engagements

Lecture: An anonymous masterpiece: "The Cholmondeley Sisters", Tate Gallery, 1.

Gun salutes to bonour birthday of Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother, Hyde Park, 12.

Band concert: Tower Place, 12-2.

Classical Ballet of Tokyo, Wimbledon Theatre, 8.

Neoclassic Jazz Orchestra from United States, Cripplegate Festival, Barbican Podium, 6.15.

Recital: *Elly Ameling and Dalton* Baldwin, Wigmore Hall Summer Festival, 7.30.

Latest appointments

Latest appointments include:
Mr Richard Gregson-Williams, director of the Chichester Festival for the past four years, to be director of the York Festival.
Dr Alastair Niven, lecturer in *English studies at Stirling* University, to be director-general of the Africa Centre, in succession *to Miss Margaret Feeny, the centre's* founder.

£100.000 prizewinner

The £100.000 winning Premium *Savings Bond number in the* August draw is 7TZ 558376. The winner comes from Renfrewshire. *The £25,000 winning number is* 13ZN 862784. The winner comes from Richmond upon Thames.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr S. Bedford
and Miss *M.* Reeve-Tucker
The engagement is announced and the marriage will take place in September between *Stephen* Bedford, of Reading and Maria Reeve-Tucker, of Ross-on-Wye.

Dr T. G. Blaney
and Miss A. R. Thompson
The engagement is announced between Thomas George Blaney, son of Mr and Mrs T. Blaney, of Kings Road, Wallsend, Tyne and Wear, and Alison Rosemary, daughter of Professor Sir Harold and Lady Thompson, of 33 Linton Road, Oxford.

Mr R. J. M. Gilmore
and Miss F. C. Triefus
The engagement is announced between Richard, only son of Mr and Mrs R. T. Gilmore, of Wickham Bishops, Essex, and Fiona, only daughter of Mr and Mrs R. D. P. Triefus, of Appledore, Greenways, Walton on the Hill, Surrey.

Mr P. T. Richardson
and Miss D. M. Thomson
The engagement is announced between Peter Thomas, elder son of Dr and Mrs W. T. Richardson, of Welton, *North Humberside*, and Deborah Marian, second daughter of Mr E. C. Thomson, CMG, and Mrs Thomson, of Woking, Surrey.

Mr I. D. Lipman
and Miss S. J. Coral
The engagement is announced between Ian, son of Stuart and Jean Lipman, and Susan, daughter of Nicholas and Betty Coral, Wembley, Middlesex.

Mr S. H. Smith
and Miss A. M. Goodwill
The engagement is announced between Steven H. Smith, of Low Lane, Horsforth, elder son of Mr and Mrs W. Smith, of Bewerley, *and Annette Mitchell*, only daughter of Mr and Mrs N. Goodwill, of Huddersfield.

Dr T. M. Helme
and Miss D. M. Dromgoole
The engagement is announced between Timothy, son of Mr and Mrs J. M. Helme, of Binfield, *Berkshire, and Dorothy, daughter* of the late Mr and Mrs R. J. Dromgoole, of Worthing, Sussex, *and niece of Mr and Mrs R. S.* Jefferis, of Hilfield Castle, Aldenham, Hertfordshire.

Mr D. G. Kent-Lemon
and Miss J. E. Murphy
The engagement is announced between David George, twin son of the late Lieutenant-Colonel E. N. Kent-Lemon, MBE, TD, and Mrs Kent-Lemon, 1 Church Cottages, Essendon, Hertfordshire, and Jeanette Elizabeth, daughter of Mr and Mrs R. H. Murphy, of Kyabram, Australia.

Marriages

Colonel R. B. Gosling
and Mevr S. J. M. Burgers van Oyen
The marriage has taken place in the Netherlands between Colonel Richard Bennett Gosling, of Canterbury Lodge, Margaretting, Essex, and Mevrouw Sybilla (Billy) Burgers van Oyen, widow of Bernard Burgers, of 't Kasteel, Weurt, Nijmegen.

Mr T. R. Grieve
and Mrs R. K. Dimoline
The marriage took place quietly in London on August 3 between Mr Tom Grieve, of 33 Park Close, Melbury Road, W14, and Mrs R. K. Dimoline, The Match Box, 66 Greys Hill, Henley-on-Thames.

Mr R. G. Whittington
and Miss F. C. Hopcroft
The marriage took place on July 29 at St Laurence's Roman Catholic Church, Petersfield, between Mr Richard Guy Whittington, only son of Mr and Mrs D. R. Whittington, and Miss Frances Catherine Hopcroft, only child of the late Group Captain F. Campbell Hopcroft, RAF, retd, and Mrs *Mary Hopcroft. Father Cyril* Murtagh officiated. The honeymoon is being spent abroad.

Luncheon

HM Government
Mr John Tomlinson, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State, Ministry of Overseas Development, was host at a luncheon held at Lancaster House yesterday in honour of Mr Benjamin Bol, Regional Minister for Agriculture, Southern Sudan.

Reception

Brazilian Ambassador
The Brazilian Ambassador opened an exhibition, The Art of the Brazilian Indians, at the Museum of Mankind yesterday, and gave a reception which was attended by *members of the Diplomatic Corps* and Trustees of the British Museum.

Dinner

Royal Yacht Squadron
The annual dinner of the Royal Yacht Squadron was held at the *Castle, Cowes, last night. Admiral* Sir David Williams, C-in-C Naval Home Command, was the principal *guest and the captains of the* guard ships were also present. The guests were received by the Commodore, Major-General Earl Cathcart.

Service dinner

RAF Staff College
The Commandant, Air Vice-Marshal J. B. Curtiss, and officers of the Royal Air Force Staff College held a dining-in-night at *Bracknell yesterday.* The guest of honour was Air Marshal Sir Rex Roe and other guests were Major-*General William C. Norris*, USAF, and Mr R. McG. Airlie. Wing Commander C. P. Baker presided.

How the Romans coped with their frontiers in the desert

From Philip Howard
Cambridge

About half the Roman Empire faced the desert. In a paper to the triennial conference of classicists at Cambridge yesterday Professor Glen Bowersock, of Harvard, discussed the peculiar exigencies of desert administration.

The Roman government was compelled to develop a frontier system that took account of the nomadic tribes that roamed, and still roam, the desert from Syria to Morocco. Taking their lead from their predecessor in the cultivated land at the edge of the desert, the Romans built up an open frontier without a linear defence system.

Legionaries, often of native origin, together with native auxiliary troops, manned forts and watch towers strategically placed at oases and elevations in remote parts of the desert. Desert patrols, with camels and mounted archers, protected the interior trade routes and effectively dispersed nomadic raiders before they reached any big Roman settlements.

In the Middle East it is now clear from newly discovered evidence that in the second century AD Rome was actively encouraging the confederation of nomadic tribes in order to create mobile *client kingdoms in the desert.* Thus a familiar feature of the foreign policy of the Byzantine *emperors can be taken back* several centuries.

In North Africa the conditions, though not quite the same as in the Middle East, present striking *analogies especially in Rome's* adroit exploitation of natives. The importance of confederations throughout the frontier zones of the desert lends support to the recent hypothesis that the name Saracens for Arab nomads should be derived from the Semitic word *sirka*, meaning confederation.

The Roman success in policing the desert can be seen in the relative luxury of the fortified frontier residences in late antiquity. For the Muslim conquerors they became a model for palatial architecture.

Dr R. Winton, of Sheffield *University, offered a new* interpretation of part of the speech of the Athenians at Sparta in Thucy*dides. Book 1.* He thinks that in this passage the Athenians derive a paradoxical theory of the *ideology of empire* by looking at one element of the judicial relations of Athens with her subjects.

The *ambasadors argue* that Athens's subjects see her as ruthlessly domineering precisely because Athens unprecedentedly denies herself full enjoyment of her rights as the *stronger power*. She allows citizens of subject city states to litigate with Athenian citizens at Athens *on equal terms*. Equality in respect of access to Athenian courts and Athenian laws has bred *illusion of equality and* thus intense resentment of any exercise by Athens, however slight, of her actual *superiority*.

Dr Winton suggests persuasively that the key verb *philobikein* means not to be *litigious but to* insist obdurately on one's rights. The Athenians are saying: "We are thought *to insist obdurately on* our rights as the superior power."

Terence Cuneo (left) with Sir William Barlow, Post Office chairman, *at the unveiling of his "First Air Post" in London yesterday.*

Oil paintings bring £88,640

Bonham's sale of European oil paintings yesterday realized £88,640. An oil painting by Frederick Goodall, "The Trespassers", made £7,000 as did a painting of a Dutch town scene by Cornelis Springer.

"Garden Flowers", by Marcus Stone, *sold for £3,800*, and an Italian coastal scene by Franz Richard Unterberger fetched *£3,200*.

Latest wills

Florence Ruth Ellison, of Worthing, left £95,486 net. After bequests of £12,000 the residue of her estate was left to Durrington Free Church, Worthing, for work *among old people.*

Other estates include (net, before tax paid; tax not disclosed):

Harper, Mr Joseph, of Featherstone, Labour MP for Pontefract and Castleford	£23,846
Parker, Mrs Iris de Lautour, of Stockbridge	£862,569
Whitaker, Mr William, of Hawling, Gloucestershire, farmer	£395,641
Williams, Mrs Gladys Gomer, of Kensington	£215,474

Oxford college proves its case over carved panel

From Our Correspondent,
Oxford

After 73 years the fellows of New College, Oxford, hope they have finally convinced the Belgians that one of the college's oldest treasures is genuine. The matter has been in dispute since a celebrated Warden, the Rev W. A. Spooner, acquired a seventeenth-century oak chest from one of the college's tenant farmers in return for £50 off his rent arrears.

On the front of the chest, which the farmer had been using as a corn bin, are four rows of carving depicting a struggle between foot soldiers and mounted knights.

Heraldic and other details make clear *that it is a crude but vigorous* version of the battle of Courtrai in 1302, when Flemish burghers, *who had revolted* against the occupation of Flanders by Philip IV of France, slaughtered 700 *of his mailed knights.*

The doubts have focused on its authenticity.

Matters came to a head last year when the college lent the chest to Courtrai—or Kortrijk, as it is known in Flemish—for the 675th anniversary of the town's victory over the French.

After the celebrations, experts in Brussels examined the chest and pronounced it a pastiche dating from the second half of the nineteenth century.

The college agreed to have the panel examined by Dr John Fletcher, of the Oxford University Archaeological Research Laboratory.

Dr Fletcher said: "As soon as I took the panel out of the seventeenth-century chest into which it had been incorporated I had no doubts that it was of medieval workmanship, and examination of the boards by dendrochronology confirms my view. The earliest tree ring dates from about AD 970, the latest from about 1243, indicating a date of usage about *1300.*"

New College is to place the chest on view in the college *antechapel.*

OBITUARY

MR CARLETON HOBBS

Enduring place in the history of radio drama

Mr Carleton Hobbs, the radio actor whose name was inextricably linked with radio drama from its early days, died on July 31 at the age of 80. As an actor Carleton Hobbs appeared on the stage in films, and later in television, but it was *in radio, a medium which* he served for over half a century, that he was to make himself known to the wide audiences of the heyday of radio drama.

Carleton Percy Hobbs was born in Farnborough, Hants, on June 18, 1898, the son of Major-General P. E. F. Hobbs, CB, CMG. He was educated at Winchester College and the Royal Military Academy, Woolwich. *He* was commissioned in the Royal Field Artillery in 1918 and served in France and Ireland in 1919. But though of military parentage, the lure of acting was strong and he left the army in 1922.

He studied for the stage at the Royal Academy of Dramatic Art where he gained the Bancroft Gold Medal in April, 1924. In June that year he made his first appearance on the stage, a walk-on *part* in *London Life* at the Drury Lane Theatre. In September of that year he was at the Queen's in *The Claimant* and later appeared in *The Grain of Mustard Seed* at the Ambassadors. At this period, too, began his association with the Birmingham Rep, a time at which Laurence Olivier was making his first appearances there. Hobbs also appeared in films, his parts including *Where is This Lady, The Clairvoyant* and a part in Alfred Hitchcock's *The Thirty-nine Steps* before the war and more recently *The Day of the Jackal, Brother Sun and Sister Moon* and *Perfect Friday.*

From 1924 he was active in radio from its early days at Savoy Hill. Throughout the 1920s and 1930s he played in a wide variety of plays readings and other radio entertainments, including notable roles in many of the Shakespearian productions of the period. Indeed, from 1930 to the end *of his career* he played over 4,000 roles on radio.

In 1939 on the outbreak of war this hectic pace was accelerated with the establishment of the BBC Drama Repertory Company of which Hobbs was one of the first members. War stimulated rather than discouraged radio and from its first base at Wood Norton in the Vale of Evesham, the company poured out a stream of work for its *audiences, ranging* from Shakespeare, through Dickens to P. G. Wodehouse, and in the earliest days, topical items such *as The Cockney and the Crisis* and *Digging for Victory.* When the main body of the Drama Rep moved to Manchester, Carleton Hobbs stayed at Wood Norton with the schools' section and later worked from London.

With the advent of television Carleton Hobbs, though fundamentally attached to radio, played his part both with BBC TV and later ITV. Among more recent appearances were a number of episodes of BBC TV's *The Brothers* and *I, Claudius* in which he played Aristarchus.

Carleton Hobbs was twice married. He is survived by his

Carleton Hobbs in the 1950

second wife, Pat, and his gran daughter, Chloë.

Hallam Tennyson writes:

Carleton Hobbs was perha the finest actor to make h name almost wholly in radi for although he appeared o the stage as well as in film and television, radio was t medium which really suited h talent. His preeminence ha three causes: first a voice great precision, beauty an uniqueness, which with slightest modulation could e press a whole range of subt feeling; secondly a profession discipline (coming perhap from his years in the Arm that allowed him to make th *very most of the limited* re hearsal time which is all th radio can afford; thirdly *modesty* which made hi averse to the publicity and e hibitionism often an inevitab part of the actor's life in th other media. It was th modesty which paradoxical kept him at the top of the radi tree for more than 50 yea for he remained always humb and open-minded before the ma in hand. "Hobbo" first broa cast from Savoy Hill in 192 and he made his last recordin in April of this year when h played the title role in *Dondol* the blind, octogenarian Doge o Venice.

One of the first members o the BBC Repertory Company i the Second World Wa "*Hobbo*", while remaining c stantly recognizable, remaine also infinitely versatile: h brought trenchant masculin to Browning, urbanity to Tro lope and Sherlock Holmes, su tained lyricism to Wordsworth "Immortality Ode", wit to Tor Stoppard and heartstoppin simplicity to the sonnets o Charles Tennyson Turne Above all to everything he d he brought *himself*: a grea racbnteur who never made *malicious* remark, a great pro fessional who never stoppe learning, a great talker wh knew how to listen, a man wh bore suffering and ill-healt without a murmur (how man knew that either even existe in his life?) who yet reserve an extraordinary capacity t sympathize with the troubles others. Eyes sparkling, li slightly parted, lean figu thrust eagerly forwar "Hobbo" in my memory stan forever poised on the brink some perfectly timed, perfect executed action.

As a man he inspired *gr* found love, as an artist gre respect.

MR THOMAS ARMSTRONG

Mr Thomas Armstrong, the Yorkshire novelist who has died at the age of 78, will be best remembered for his first and most popularly successful novel, *The Crowthers of Bankdam*, a saga of a textile family, which has always been regarded as at least in part founded upon fact.

Thomas Armstrong was born on September 3, 1899, at Leeds, a son of the late Charles Plaxton. His family had been connected with wool for many generations. Educated at Queen Elizabeth school, Wakefield, and the Royal Naval College, Keysham, he served in the Royal Navy throughout the First World War and was in Russia during the Revolution of 1917. Forty years later he completed his sixth long book, with its vigorous and quick moving background in that country. After leaving the Navy, Armstrong was for many years engaged actively in the textile trade, and travelled all over the world *in its interests.*

He began writing magazine articles but made no impact upon the reading public until 1940, with his first novel, *The Crowthers of Bankdam*, later filmed as *The Master of Bankdam.* In it he gave a markedly conventional treatment to a 240,000 word chronicle of the generations of a woollen dynasty in the West Riding. *Dover Harbour* followed in 1942, a story about the harbour from 1789 to 1809 in which precise detail supported an exciting and manifold story about characters convincingly human amid their highly coloured activities. In 1947 came *King Cotton*, a 928-pa saga of the Lancashire cott trade just before and duri the American Civil War. Th was widely hailed as a mon mental effort.

Adam Brunskill appeared 1952, a story dealing with le mining in Yorkshire in wh the economic informat proved more interesting th the less convincing characte zation. Indeed, Armstron strength was as a social his rian rather than a noveli *Pilling Always Pays* (1954), entertaining story of a W Riding bookmaker, depend however, more on the st than the background and his shortest book, although was still of formidable lengt

Later books were: *A Ring no End* (1958), *Sue Crowth Marriage* (1961), *The Face o Madonna* (1964) and his l work of fiction, *Our Lon Office*, published in 1966.

Thomas Armstrong was courteous and shy man w a great love for the quiet the Yorkshire dales, and it in remote Swaledale that *novels dealing mainly* w town life and the industr aggregations were writ A charming host and flu talker on almost any subj he was a considerable scho an avid reader, a *keen stud* of medieval literature, architecture, and an amat craftsman of note. *He* also a devoted follower Yorkshire cricket and kee interested in racing.

He married, in 1930, Dulcie, elder daughter of late Edgar Bray, of Hudd field.

BRIGADIER W. G. TUCKER

Brigadier W. G. Tucker, CBE, who died on July 29 was commissioned into the Royal Corps of Signals in 1927. He served in the United Kingdom, Northern Ireland, and North West Europe during the Second World War in staff appointments and in command of the Guards Armoured Divisional Signals, when he was appointed OBE.

He was Chief Signal Officer Malaya Command during the Malayan Operations of 1952 when he was mentioned in despatches and Chief Signal cer of 11 Corps during the Operations of *1956* when was promoted CBE and tioned in despatches.

After retirement in 1959 joined the BBC as Engi Liaison Officer until 1971. was Colonel Commandant the Royal Corps of Sig from 1962 to 1967, Col Gurkha Signals from 195 1967 and *Chairman* of Royal Signals Association 1967 to 1972.

Hilda Lady Houldsworth, widow of Sir Hubert Stanley Houldsworth, 1st Bt, died on July 31 at the age of 88. She was Hilda Frances, daughter of Joseph Clegg, and she married her husband in 1919. He died in 1956.

Mr Kogoro Uemura who been president of Jap Federation of Economic nizations (Keidanren) and one of the architects of country's post war econ success died on August 1 at age of 84.

Archaeology report

Somerset: Peatland discoveries

It is a point of debate whether stone or wood was the more important raw material for early man. abundance of stone tools tends to dominate prehistorians' thoughts, but few weapons or tools can have *been complete without wooden* handles, hafts and shafts, if they were not entirely of wood. Wood must also have been the main source of material for buildings wherever it was available.

Archaeologists have rarely been able to appreciate its importance, because of its rapid decay in most *conditions, particularly in Britain.* Yet the discoveries of wooden structures and equipment from river muds, isolated pits and wells, continue to furnish new evidence for ancient wood-working from London, York and other places. In the Somerset Levels, larger areas of waterlogged peats have yielded abundant information, and the earliest evidence for prehistoric woodland management anywhere in the world.

The levels, between the Quantocks and the Mendips, consist of low-lying peats originally up to 10 metres thick. Drainage and peat-cutting have reduced the depth to only a few metres, and in places the peat has been totally removed.

In the past decade, work from Cambridge University has expanded to include important contributions from the Department of the Environment, Exeter University and the Maltwood Fund, and the Somerset Levels project has been formed to coordinate *the archaeological* and *biological* work.

Investigations nearing completion have been concentrated upon the terminals of the many prehistoric wooden roadways and trackways built out from the dry hills and islands into and through the marshlands. The marshlands came into existence in the fourth millennium bc, and from then up to the Late Iron Age prehistoric farmers and hunters ensured access into the rich supplies of the marshes by *constructing roads and tracks.*

The Somerset Levels project has recently completed a further stage *of its long-term investigations into* the southern terminal of the early Neolithic Sweet Track, the oldest *wooden road in the world*, and here stone, pottery and wooden equipment have been revealed as well as ample environmental evidence based upon peat, pollen, beetle and wood remains.

The evidence for managed woodland, with regular coppicing of trees, is the earliest known. Further work on the late Neolithic Baker terminal, adjacent to the site of the "God-dolly", remains for another season, but a second millennium *terminal*, with extensive planks and hurdle-work, has been discovered and is being *investigated.*

That terminal and trackways probably formed part of the com*munication network spreading out* from the earliest settlement at Meare, known principally from the later Iron Age levels; Bronze Age occupation at lower levels is likely.

Terminals of first millennium date have also been identified, although present work has been concentrated upon the late Bronze Age trackways, some of which contain reworked timbers from dismantled structures.

All that material is suitable for tree-ring analysis, and floating chronologies have been constructed which will allow cross-correlations between trackways and terminals; to those, many radiocarbon dates can be assigned. Further sets of dates from peat monoliths allow archaeologists for the first *time to point to areas of forest* clearance and cultivated plots. Episodes of forest regeneration can be *identified.*

Among recent finds are a unique wooden hay or brush fork of the middle Bronze Age, and a group of Early Bronze Age flint flakes, each padded with peat and stacked in a grass bag; the flakes are likely to have been struck to a standard shape and size at their source, perhaps in Wiltshire, and then transported in some protective covering to their place of use, where secondary flaking was done.

The project has established its own wet-wood laboratory for the conservation of prehistoric arti*facts, and the first batch of material*, destined for museums in Somerset, has recently been successfully *preserved. With the rapid* rate of peat removal, and exposure of new sites and finds, the project *has had to organize its own publi*cation and *Somerset Levels Papers* 1975, 1976 and 1977 have now appeared; the 1977 issue is still available.

Without the financial assistance of the Department of the Environment, and the practical help of the peat companies, much of this work would not be possible, but the cooperation and facilities of the universities have been essential to the growth of the project, which is continuing this summer.

By J. M. Coles and B. J. Orme.
Somerset Levels Project.

Cambridge University elections and awards

The following elections and awards have been made at Cambridge University:

FITZWILLIAM COLLEGE

Senior Scholarships: Engineering: M. J. Higgs, E. H. Osicki, T. Sea. English: N. H. A. Fonseca. Law: N. M. Rees Jones. Medical sciences: P. G. Norris. Modern languages: M. G. Nix, T. E. J. Smith. Natural sciences: A. V. Cooke.

Scholarships: Mathematics: R. N. Stumbles. Modern languages: R. J. Lyddon. *Natural sciences*: C. G. Lacey, R. C. Pallister. (Reelections) (1912): Law: K. L. Hodkinson (Leathersellers'). Engineering: J. J. Leary.

Clothworkers' Exhibitions: Natural sciences: D. H. Ashling, R. I. Dearnaley. 1912 Exhibitions: Engineering: J. C. Connor. Natural sciences: P. N. White. History: H. T. N. Barwick (reelection). Rawlins Exhibition: Music: S. J. Orford.

Book prizes for first-class in certain examinations: Engineering: J. C. Connor, M. J. Higgs, E. H. Osicki. Medical sciences: P. J. Norris. Modern languages: R. J. Lyddon, M. G. Nix, T. E. J. Smith. Music: S. J. Orford. Natural sciences: D. H. Ashling, R. I. Dearnaley, C. G. Lacey, *R. C. Pallister*, M. E. Taylor, P. N. White.

Special prizes: Burton Prize (English): N. H. A. Fonseca. Fitzwilliam Stratton Prize: A. V. Cooke. Stratton Prizes: T. See, K. L. Hodkinson. Tutors Prize: R. N. Stumbles. Rawlins Prize: A. V. Cooke. Whitlock Prize: N. M. Rees Jones. W. French Fund: K. J. Yallup. W. French Prize: S. M. Buck. R. N. Walters Prize: R. J. Evans. W. F. Reddaway Prizes: E. T. Butler, G. J. P. Nilson.

MAGDALENE COLLEGE

Charles Kingsley Bye-Fellowship: V. J. Mifsud. Donaldson Bye-Fellowship: K. Bentsi-Enchill. Scholarships: R. Beckman, P. D. Davies, J. Gibbs, T. H. Lee, G. S. Ritchie, G. J. Sexton. *Re-elected*: J. H. Barne, N. A. Draper, P. S. Ganty, A. J. M. Garrett, T. M. Hopkins, F. J. Pott, C. R. B. Smith.

Prizes: Mynors Bright Prizes: S. W. Lowe, N. S. W. Williams. College prizes: Architecture: P. D. Davies. Economics: C. G. Cobbold. *Engineering*: T. H. Lee. Geography: C. C. Robinson (Clarabut). *History*: N. A. Draper, S. W. Lowe, N. S. W. Williams. Law: J. Gibbs, C. J. Stean. Mathematics: G. S. Ritchie. Medical sciences: P. S. Ganty. Music: F. J. Pott (Macfarlane-Grieve). *Natural sciences*: J. H. Barne, R. Beckmann, A. J. M. Garrett, T. S. J. M. Hopkins, G. J. Sexton. Newton Prize: A. Short. Dunster History Essay Prize: N. A. Draper. Leman Prize: S. W. Lowe. Stucley English Essay Prizes: H. G. M. Hofmann, A. Nicolson, S. Shaps. Economics Essay Prize: J. C. Kingsman. History of Art Prize: S. R. Jones. Master's Reading Prizes: N. R. Clough, J. P. C. Rham.

ST JOHN'S COLLEGE

In addition to scholarships previously published the following awards and elections have been made:

Roger Neville Goodman Travel Exhibition: P. J. Roderick. Thomas Hoare Travel Exhibition: I. Baird, C. J. Hirst, D. R. Kingham (aeq). Sir Albert Howard Travel Exhibition: P. J. Barham, A. D. Short (aeq). Johnian Society Travel Exhibitions: G. L. Anderson, R. H. W. Bawden, M. C. Emerson, R. C. Mason, A. P. Pinchin, S. P. Pumfrey. Mason Travel Exhibition: J. P. F. Levitt. Morton of Henryton Travel Exhibitions: T. W. Newton, P. W. Renwick, N. C. Turner, and C. R. Hughes and H. McCarthy (aeq). *Samuel Nunn* Travel Exhibitions: J. A. Howard and D. C. Mills (aeq) and L. Wilson and G. F. Wood (aeq). Pendlebury Travel Exhibition: R. C. Picot. Sparrow Travel Exhibition: G. P. Smith. Strathcona Travel Exhibition: G. Abell, R. A. Finlay, D. B. Manning. A. F. Torry Travel Exhibition: J. C. S. *Davies.* A. J. D. Tory Travel Exhibitions: C. Carey and R. M. Charnley, A. R. Gregory and A. J. W. McNulty (aeq). Christopher Vincent Travel Exhibition: A. R. Barker.

Prizes

Adams Memorial: A. J. Wassermann. Benians: C. M. Jones. Chivers Shakespeare: G. M. Hill. Constable: M. P. Cox, S. M. Dilworth. Hockin: P. Bramley, M. C. Emerson, M. Evans, M. J. Pinfold. Hollinshead-Hawles: D. G. Reid. Henry Humphreys: R. D. Bringans, E. Knobloch. Sir Joseph Larmor Awards: T. J. Dewes, F. S. Gilbert, C. M. Jones, M. J. Murray, D. A. Mushin. Mansergh: T. R. Clayton. Master's: C. V. A. Collyns, S. E. Holmes, R. M. Jeffries, C. M. Jones, D. Lewis. Moldrum: F. S. Gilbert. Northcott: S. J. Morgan. Wilson Reading: C. M. Jones, C. E. F. Naylor, A. A. Nixon, R. Parks. Winfield: J. P. Onions. Earle: R. C. Mason and A. D. Macklin, M. A. T. Norris (aeq). John Diver: P. J. Roderick. Graves: B. A. McCullagh. Hart: W. H. Williams. Peter Ralph Lapwood: R. C. Mason. Emanuel Miller: I. J. Hardwick. Nowell-Rostron: W. R. Hancox. Hughes: F. S. Gilbert, N. D. Hooker, P. L. S. Reading, A. N. Tyson, A. J. Wassermann. Johnston: A. N. Jollans. Phineas Quass: M. P. Cox, P. J. Roderick, D. G. Reid (aeq). Wright: Architecture: I. K. Griffiths. Economics: C. V. A. Collyns. Engineering: J. F. McCollin, A. D. Macklin, R. J. Stradling, S. J. Wheeler. English: G. M. Hill. Geography: A. J. Barham, A. N. Tyson. History: M. A. T. Norris. Law: B. S. Jennings. Mathematics: C. J. Champion, N. D. Hooker, D. D. Long, A. J. Wassermann. Modern languages: M. Moriarty, P. L. S. Reading. *Natural sciences*: G. Abell, A. N. Jollans, A. M. McCuln, J. K. Payne, S. P. Pumfrey, R. M. Wallace, D. R. Wilkinson.

College: Archaeology and anthropology: M. S. Gregson. Chemical engineering: D. A. Mushin. Classics: P. R. McKechnie. Economics: N. R. Turner. Engineering: M. F. Baigent, D. R. Beedman, P. H. L. Beamish, N. A. Butcher, C. Carey, N. C. Davison, R. T. Devereux, M. J. Murray, H. L. Ouek, K. A. E. Tolton. English: T. S. Brooks. Geography: P. F. *Reeves. History*: C. W. Bourne, T. R. Clayton, P. H. Hodson. Law: R. C. T. Holden. Mathematics: A. J. Berry, C. J. M. Darlaston, M. C. Davies, D. B. Duval, A. N. S. Fromling, D. A. Hargreaves, T. P. J. Kindberg, M. W. Long, N. G. Miller, R. T. Prior, S. M. Southall, M. A. Toadevin. Medical sciences: S. G. Bain, D. T. *Bonthron*, C. D. Carmichael, N. Chalmers, D. J. A. Goldsmith. Modern languages: J. W. Greenan, G. H. Tucker. Music: D. R. Nicholls, J. G. Scott. Natural sciences: J. R. Baker, R. Collett, D. H. Kingham, G. H. Marshall, T. W. Newton, A. Simpson, P. Squires, M. Towers, K. Wheatley.

WRAC commissions

Lieutenant-General Sir David Scott Barrett, General Officer Commanding Scotland, officiated at the commissioning ceremony held at the Women's Royal Army Corps College, Camberley, yesterday.

The Sash of Honour was awarded to Officer Cadet Evelyn Green (Crossley and Porter School, Halifax). Officer Cadet Elizabeth Lemonde (Convent of Our Lady of Providence, Alton) won the Military and Academics Studies and International Affairs prize.

The following officer cadets were also appointed to commissions:

M. Bagshawe, Ashford S, Kent; S. Braybrooke, Varndean S; S. Brown, Wells Blue S; H. Burns, Scarborough SFC; D. Clarkson, Royal S, Bath; P. Rushton, Erdington GS; J. Turpin, Mount St Mary Convent, Exeter.

25 years ago

From The Times of Tuesday, Aug 4, 1953

China's seat in UN

By Our Special Correspondent

With the approaching special session on Korea, the Russian press has reopened with renewed vigour its campaign for the admittance of China into the United Nations. An article in Pravda broadcast over the Moscow radio claims that a seat should now be given to Communist China because without her rightful participation the United Nations cannot become a true organ of international cooperation. Pravda quotes various voices abroad in support of China's participation, and says that the world has no longer any right to *ignore a country with 500 million* people only because one of the 60 members of the United Nations —*namely* the United States—does not like the political regime in China. The paper refers to pressure exercised by the United States in the United Nations against the granting of a seat to China which is now unlawfully occupied by the Kuomintang. Like other Russian newspapers which have lately joined in a bitter attack on Mr Dulles, *Pravda denounces what it* calls his threat of using the veto, and says that Mr Dulles's statement *has caused much disappointment*, and was sharply criticized in Britain and in France.

One Irish student in seven 'has left the RC Church'

From Our Own Correspondent
Dublin

One Irish student in seven brought up in the Roman Catholic faith had left the church by the time of reaching university, a survey published in the latest issue of the *Dominican magazine, Doctrine and Life*, shows.

At 14 per cent, the proportion *of former Roman Catholics in the* universities is significantly higher than in the general population, it *concludes. The survey of 1,000* Catholic students in 1976 was made for the Catholic Bishops Research and Development Commission.

Lapsed Roman Catholics are less *likely to be interested in Irish* unity than practising Catholics, the survey shows. More than half the practising Catholics (52 per cent) want to see a united Ireland, compared with only 30 per cent of *the former Catholics.*

Among those who remain in the church, religious attendance is high. About four fifths go to Mass every Sunday, and a fifth go more than once a week.

But many students have difficulty with some of the church's teaching, the survey says. Fifty-eight per cent approve of contraceptives, with only 6 per cent believing that their use is always wrong. Forty-eight per cent favour divorce and 30 per cent think sex before marriage is right.

While the former Catholics are far more likely to reject the church's teaching on sex and the *family, there is general agreement* among the students against abortion, 90 per cent considering it to be *wrong.*

Church news

Church of Scotland

The Rev W. C. Nelson, Bristo Memorial, Craigmillar, *presbytery* of Edinburgh, to Southend, *presbytery* of South Argyll.

The Rev H. R. M. Fraser, Coatdyke, Coatbridge, *presbytery* of Hamilton, to John Knox Gerrard Street, Aberdeen, *presbytery* of Aberdeen.

The Rev H. C. Ormiston, Whitfield, Dundee, presbytery of Dundee, to be *associate minister in Mull.*

The Rev W. M. Alexander, Northmavine, presbytery of Shetland, to Bucksburn, presbytery of Aberdeen.

University news

Southampton
The first three holders of Hartley Fellowships, which are designed to attract younger research workers, are Dr Sara T. Champion, archaeology, *Dr Peter J. Sarre*, chemical physics, and Dr Susan Chatto, English literature.

Bath
Dr Peter Weitzman, senior lecturer in *biochemistry, Leicester University*, has been appointed to the chair of biochemistry from January 1.

Science report

Obesity: Counting fat cells

Doctors and scientists from the Unilever Research Laboratory and the Dunn Nutrition Unit at Cambridge have strongly attacked the idea that when children become fat they may be *condemned to* obese adulthood because of a large increase in the number of their fat cells.

Fat cells take up fat from the blood and store it. For many years it has been thought that if children become fat during certain critical periods in their growth, an excessive number of fat cells would be formed. The new fat cells were presumed to stay in the body throughout life and increase the chances that a fat child would grow into a fat adult. Consequently the adult who had been *fat from childhood would* find slimming much harder than someone who had become fat later in life.

The evidence for the idea had come from studies of the number *of fat* cells found in the two groups of people. More fat cells were apparently found in people *who had been obese as children.*

However, there are several pitfalls in counting fat cells. One is that the number of fat cells can easily be underestimated. Past methods have usually ignored certain fat cells which are small in people of normal weight, but increase in size as a person gets fatter, and then become included in the estimate of the number of fat cells in the body.

Dr R. T. Jung and his colleagues corrected for that effect in *their* calculations and they found a much greater number of fat cells *in normal and moderately obese* people than had been detected before. Furthermore, the number *of fat cells in normal people* varies considerably, and most of the obese people they studied were within that range, though there seemed to be a small increase in the number of fat cells as people became fatter. Earlier errors of judgment may also have arisen because doctors were studying only severely obese patients, who probably represent *only 0.1 per* cent of all fat people.

Dr Jung found no evidence for a much *greater number of fat* cells in people whose obesity had started when they were children. He argues, therefore, that this idea is unlikely to help the understanding of obesity.

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eddy supports xperimental oans scheme for mall companies

ryan Appleyard

itative moves towards a ament-backed loan guaran- cheme for small companies been recommended in of stiff opposition from n the Civil Service.

e National Economic De- ment Council's Committee inance for Industry (the Committee) yesterday en- d a working party report e idea and backed recom- lations that the idea should nvestigated further with a to a possible experimental ne.

e report and the commit- endorsement were sent ight to Mr Denis Healey, Chancellor, Mr Harold r, Chancellor of the Duchy ancester, and Sir Harold n, chairman of the inquiry the City.

n after the working party formed 12 weeks ago it be- clear that there was en- hed opposition from within department of Industry and inisterial level, principally dministrative grounds.

is also now known that servants have expressed tions to an experimental ne.

was against this back- d that the working party leted its report on Wed- y and it is clear that its form presented problems. tially the report stresses the real need for small esses is for equity rather loan capital but it wledges the unanimity of evidence to the Wilson nittee of the existence of nancing gap for smaller, redit-worthy firms.

banks were sceptical the need for guarantees, he report comments they may be over-cautious in a small margin of cases—pointing to their margin of error in the other direction in the few cases where loan recipients fail.

However, the report is unable to state unequivocally that a need for loan guarantees exists, though they add it may be better to have an unwanted scheme than no scheme at all.

Any scheme should be designed for small companies with a size of loan cut-off point. But there was disagreement on who should be eligible. Members from the CBI wanted it to be offered to all sectors, but TUC members wanted to restrict it to manufacturing.

Term loans rather than overdrafts are recommended and the clearing banks with their screening and vetting procedures represent the best vehicle for operating the scheme.

The report goes on to discuss the use of either commercial schemes designed to pay their way or "soft" schemes involving a subsidy element.

This raises the problem of how much risk the banks would take—the report says that if they operate the vetting they should bear a portion of the risk though the banks' reactions ranged from 15 per cent of the risk to none.

Both the DoI and the Treasury argued that the banks' risk element should be high to prevent excesively risky lending and they suggested up to 50 per cent.

Overall the report seems a more favourable commercial scheme rather than a "soft" one as the latter might encourage more risky lending, though the former has not yet

Wall Street near record trading in shares

From Frank Vogl
Washington, Aug 3

The New York Stock Exchange experienced one of the busiest trading days in its history today when more than 60 million shares changed hands.

Prices moved sharply, gaining strongly earlier in the day, but then giving ground to register onl ya fairly modest advance by the closing bell.

Brokers reported extremely heavy trading by American institutions for the second consecutive day, and a considerable amount of profit-taking was evident as the Dow Jones industrial share price index moved to within 2½ points of the 900 level.

Many brokers are claiming that the substantial share buying has been sparked by the belief on Wall Street that United States interest rates have peaked.

There were some fears that the money supply may have surged ahead in the last statement week, which could force the Federal Reserve Board to tighten credit conditions once again, and such fears could have accounted late today for some of the profit-taking.

However, the Fed announced after the market closed that the basic money supply, M1, grew by $2,700m in the last week, which was at the low end of the range of expectations on Wall Street.

The Dow Jones industrial share index, which rose yesterday by the greatest amount seen in more than three years with an advance of 22.78 points, gained 15.5 points before profit-taking became widespread today.

The index closed ahead by 3.38 points at 886.87, with 1,008 shares gaining on the day while 630 declined.

The New York Stock Exchange's computer broke down and it was therefore not possible to obtain an exact volume trading figure within an hour of the close of today's session.

The estimated volume total was 63.38 million shares, which is just 100,000 shares below the all-time record seen on April 17 of this year.

United States institutions have for some months been sitting on the sidelines of the share markets, placing cash instead in short-term monetary instruments as interest rates climbed rapidly.

Views on the interest rate outlook differ on Wall Street, although there is a widespread conviction that rates are unlikely to go any higher. Some brokers see a steadying for the next few months, then a decline towards the end of the year. Others believe the decline will start quite soon.

Some brokers appear to agree with Administration economists that there should be some slackening now in the inflation rate, and this certainly is influencing the stock market.

Moreover, increasing numbers of economists are now predicting a significant slowing in the United States economy's growth rate in the second half of this year. Such a development is likely to slow general demand for money, which could produce some softening in interest rates.

The Carter Administration still hopes for a 3.5 to 4 per cent real growth rate for the second half of the year, but Wall Street predictions are well below this.

ollar tumbles to new low ainst Swiss franc

roline Atkinson

urther fall for the dollar st most currencies came day, with particular sell- gainst Swiss francs and an marks.

dropped to a new low of Swiss francs before clos- 1.7055.

lers expect the dollar to falling over the next few s. They do not believe there will be any really news from America on or inflation, nor that the nistration will announce new currency support res.

West German Federal tried to hold down the by buying dollars in the nge markets.

slide of the dollar yes- was triggered off by the ncement of a larger than ted West German pay- surplus in June, and lso hit by rumours that elgian franc and Dutch r were to be devalued.

led to very active deal- European exchanges as erman mark rose. The always suffers when is much cross trading be- make currencies as it is or intervention. The de- on rumours were later itional pressure on the mark came as some continental banks unwound their yen-mark positions which they have built up over the past two weeks.

Yesterday's movements reversed this to some extent. But the Japanese are still very worried about the upwards leap in the value of their currency. Rumours that they plan to introduce further exchange controls to inhibit speculative purchases of yen are circulating in the markets.

These helped the dollar to recover some ground against the yen. Sterling also strengthened slightly and gained 20 points against the dollar to close at $1.93.

Shares rise: The all-share index reached 228.32 yesterday, its highest level, underlining the recent strength of second and third-line stocks.

In relatively quiet trading, the index added 1.33, taking the rise on the account to 8.46.

The keenly-awaited breach of the 500 level in the *FT* ordinary share index was thwarted by end-of-account profit-taking. The index closing a whisker too low at 499.9, a rise of 4.6 on the day.

MLR unchanged: Contrary to some market expectations the Government's minimum lending rate remained unchanged at 10 per cent yesterday.

ectricity Council raises $500m in Japan

istopher Wilkins

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In his spring Budget speech, Mr Denis Healey, the Chancellor, said that Britain would repay at least $4,000m this year. Commercial debts totalling $1,300m have been paid off so far. They include the prepayment of a $500m loan by the Electricity Council in February, $300m by the Water Council, and seperate loans of $200m and $100m by the Post Office. Loans from the International Monetary Fund totalling $1,000m have also been paid off early.

New borrowings, counting the latest Electricity Council deal, total nearly $1,400m, of which about $500m has come from the European Investment Bank and the European Coal and Steel Community. The Treasury also has restructured a $1,500m loan to extend the maturity and reduce interest payments.

The Electricity Council's new 10-year loan carries exceptionally fine terms, involving a margin over interbank rate of ¼ per cent for six years and ⅜ per cent for the remaining four. The management group is being led by Sumitomo Bank, and includes Fuji Bank, Industrial Bank of Japan, Long Term Credit Bank of Japan and Mitsubishi Bank.

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the markets moved

The Times index: 217.29 + 1.71
The FT index: 4.99.9 + 4.6

m Coal	25p to 625p	Hong K & Shng	10p to 344p
Webb	8p to 45p	Sedg Forbes	15p to 455p
Ind	30p to 650p	Shaw Carpets	4½p to 49p
e	10p to 422p	Sun Alliance	12p to 557p
	12p to 364p	Thomson Org	10p to 275p
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Assoc	11p to 235p	Wolsey Hughes	14p to 216p

ay	4p to 58p	Libanon	18p to 606p
	3p to 147p	Mothercare	6p to 162p
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E.	4p to 143p	Selection Tst	5p to 435p
Vithy	3p to 251p	Sunley, B.	2p to 238p
Grp	2½p to 76½p	Vantona	4p to 127p
Gas	7p to 377p	Western Areas	3p to 208p

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Gold fell $1 an ounce to $202.625.

SDR-$ was 1.26094 on Thursday, while SDR-£ was 0.654184.

Commodities: Reuter's index was at 1422.8 (previous 1421.3).

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THE POUND

	Bank buys	Bank sells
Australia $	1.72	1.66
Austria Sch	29.75	27.75
Belgium Fr	65.75	62.25
Canada $	2.24	2.17
Denmark Kr	11.10	10.60
Finland Mkk	8.30	7.95
France Fr	8.70	8.30
Germany DM	4.11	3.89
Greece Dr	71.25	67.25
Hongkong $	9.25	8.80
Italy Lr	1,675.00	1,590.00
Japan Yn	387.00	362.00
Netherlands Gld	4.43	4.20
Norway Kr	10.67	10.22
Portugal Esc	88.50	83.50
S Africa Rd	1.91	1.78
Spain Pes	150.50	143.50
Sweden Kr	9.00	8.60
Switzerland Fr	3.51	3.29
US $	1.98	1.92
Yugoslavia Dnr	37.25	35.25

Rates for small denomination bank-notes only, as supplied yesterday by Barclays Bank International Ltd. Different rates apply to travellers' cheques and other foreign currency business.

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Vauxhall at centre of motor industry row over proposals to bring in trucks from Japan

By Clifford Webb

A major row was brewing last night over plans by Vauxhall Motors, the General Motors subsidiary, to import a Japanese commercial vehicle for sale in the United Kingdom. This surprise move to increase the Japanese penetration of the British market has angered ministers and the Transport and General Workers Union which is campaigning to keep our Japanese trucks.

Motor industry sources said last night that the Department of Industry has asked Mr Bob Price, Vauxhall's American chairman and managing director, why one of the largest commercial vehicle manufacturers in the country should find it necessary to import a Japanese model instead of manufacturing it in his own extensive plant at Dunstable.

Transport union shop stewards at Dunstable have said that they will oppose any moves to import Japanese commercial vehicles, which they regard as posing a direct threat to the jobs of British car workers.

It is understood that Mr Price wants to import up to 4,000 one-ton pick-ups a year from Isuzu, the Japanese car and commercial vehicle company, in which General Motors has a financial interest.

Isuzu vans and trucks are already marketed in a number of south east markets, including Australia, under Vauxhall's Bedford marque.

Last night, a Vauxhall spokesman said: "General Motors world wide strategy is to provide as full a range of vehicles as possible. I cannot comment specifically on the Isuzu report but anything is possible. We have no plans for any announcement about the import of a Japanese vehicle."

The growing British market for pick ups has already attracted the attention of Datsun, Toyota, Mazda and Honda, who see it as a means of increasing their United Kingdom sales without adding to their already controversial 10½ per cent share of the car market.

The pick-up sector is very much a "no man's land" between the car market proper and the commercial vehicle market, which starts at 3.5 tons gross vehicle weight.

The Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders has an agreement with the Japanese which effectively excludes them from the over 3.5 tons sector.

But, according to reliable sources last night, the Japanese now hold over 75 per cent of the British pick-up market, which is forecast to grow by 30 per cent this year to around 12,000 vehicles. Datsun are the clear market leaders with 30 per cent, followed by Mazda with 20 per cent and Honda with 17 per cent.

The only United Kingdom contenders, BL's Mini and Marina pick-ups, hold a combined 18 per cent. The increasing use of pick-ups as personal transport in the United States has led to a boom in sales which could be repeated here.

Vauxhall is known to have developed a pick-up version of their Chevette car, but this is too light to take advantage of ups based on commercial vehicle chassis and not cut down gle chassis and not cut down cars.

Belfast sports vehicle project unveiled

By Robert Rodwell

Investment in the American-owned sports car assembly plant to be built on the southern outskirts of Belfast will total £65m, Mr Roy Mason, Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, revealed yesterday when the widely rumoured project was officially announced.

The plant will be a joint venture between the De Lorean Motor Company and the Northern Ireland Development Agency, with the Northern Ireland Departments of Commerce and Manpower Services contributing in excess of half the cost in grants.

The size of the NIDA's equity stake in the venture will not be revealed until published through the United States Security and Exchange Commission in about three months, but is predicted to be in the region of £15m, with additional loan capital also being advanced.

Mr John De Lorean, former corporate vice-president of General Motors, and his backers will invest approximately $40m (about £20.7m).

The factory will build what was said to be the first American sports car launched for 25 years, since the appearance of the Chevrolet Corvette, for the development and marketing of which Mr De Lorean was responsible.

Production off the Belfast line is planned to begin in 18 months and to reach 20,000 cars in the first full year, rising to 30,000 in the second.

"We aim to move from cow pasture to production within 18 months", Mr De Lorean said, referring to the 56-acre field site at Twinbrook, one of Belfast's largest Catholic estates.

Contrary to expectations, the plant is not to be provided as a leased factory by the Stormont Department of Commerce but will be owned by the company, and construction, supervised by De Lorean engineers, will begin within 60 days.

Mr De Lorean denied suggestions that the project was a high-risk venture. His car, designed to sell in North America for about $14,000 is seen as a "poor man's Ferrari" and will incorporate the V6 Renault 30 engine and transmission, Ford suspension, General Motors steering and air conditiong, Bendix brakes and a wide variety of other mass-production components.

It will have a sleek composite body of glass and graphite fibre-reinforced plastics bonded to a stainless steel outer skin and designed by the Italian stylist Giugiaro.

All of the 400 American dealers to be appointed—225 franchises have been allocated so far—is being required to buy $25,000 worth of De Lorean common stock, provide a revolving letter of credit for $100,000, and undertake to accept 100 cars in the first two years.

Mr Roy Mason

Many of them had already sold out their allocations and more, Mr De Lorean said.

"We have orders as of now for 30,000 cars—that is $300m worth of business. Of course there are going to be difficulties, a lot of hard work and many taxing problems. There always are. But I cannot agree with the description of this as a high-risk venture."

The risks involved were cited by the Irish Republic's Industrial Development Authority as the reason it broke off earlier negotiations with Mr De Lorean, but in Belfast yesterday he told another story.

The IDA was asking $8m for a dormant factory at Limerick which he judged was worth only $3m, he said, and banking arrangements on which the IDA was insisting would cost $6.5m more in interest charges than advisers said they could obtain elsewhere.

Mr De Lorean and his executive made it clear that, whether Limerick or Belfast, an EEC location was highly desirable for the venture.

The workforce in Belfast is intended to grow rapidly to 2,000 for the 30,000 cars a year intially designed for North America. With greater sales expected in Europe, however, output will be increased steadily beyond this figure, and 3,400 people should be employed six years after production begins.

"We could be a very much bigger business than even this before too long", Mr De Lorean said.

Mr Mason said the project was "splendid news" for Northern Ireland—a tremendous breakthrough for us and all of us in Government are delighted.

Though easily accessible from other parts of Belfast the new plant is expected to be a keen source of employment for the depressed Catholic estates of west Belfast where male unemployment is over 35 per cent and unemployment among the young approaches 50 per cent.

London Brick agrees to changes in charges relating to fletton monopoly

By Derek Harris

Two years after a Monopolies and Mergers Commission report urged a change in a charging system for fletton bricks, the London Brick Company has given undertakings on changes to Mr Roy Hattersley, Secretary of State for Prices and Consumer Protection.

This was disclosed in the Commons yesterday when it was reported that London Brick, which holds a total monopoly on fletton production, will from next January relate charges for brick delivery to the distance of customers from brickworks.

The Monopolies Commission had criticized the company's policy of overcharging nearby customers and under charging those farther away.

London Brick has also fallen in with two additional suggestions that small delivery loads should effectively attract a surcharge and that customers should always be able to collect themselves at brickworks at an ex-works price. Such customer collection was hitherto suspended at times of high demand.

After criticisms in a Price Commission report on the burglar alarm industry, the British Security Industry Association has given an undertaking to the Government that it will prepare guidance for its members on a number of standard additions to be made to contracts.

The commission had recommended a standard form of contract, but the Government welcomed the association's "positive response" as offering a measure of protection to customers while meeting the industry's need for some flexibility.

Gypsum prices up, page 16

Transport strike hits BL plants

Leyland car production in the Midlands is again being hit by labour troubles. This time the cause is a strike by 45 drivers employed at a BRS depot at Castle Bromwich. They normally move car bodies from the Castle Bromwich body pressing factory to the car assembly line.

Yesterday, Leyland was forced to lay off 1,400 workers on the Mini assembly lines at Longbridge, Birmingham, bringing all final assembly operations on this model to a standstill. Several hundred other workers in the engines department are also laid off. The disruption could spread today to other Leyland plants.

Why Bonn is worried by building boom

Building workers in West Berlin have this week provided the definitive proof that the construction industry in West Germany is no longer on the national sick-list. Since Wednesday morning practically all building sites in the city have been made idle by a strike.

The strike—the first in the city's building industry for 22 years—highlights a remarkable turnaround in the fortunes of an industry which only 12 months ago still seemed to be deep in recession.

This year, instead of acting as a drag on the economy, Germany's construction industry is expected to increase production by between 4 and 5 per cent and so make a positive contribution to economic growth for the first time since 1972.

Work in hand has risen above the three-month level for the first time in five years. Throughout West Germany, construction companies are crying out in vain for qualified workers.

This sudden prosperity has come to an industry which in the recession after the oil crisis of 1973, had to cut its workforce by about 450,000 to 1,100,000, and in which more than 1,000 companies a year went bankrupt.

The subsequent recovery is largely the consequence of government investment programmes and a rising demand for houses and flats which has been encouraged by the Federal Bank's easy money policies.

But the turnaround is being watched with mixed feelings by those officials who in the years since 1973 have worked so hard to bring it about. For the upturn in business is being accompanied by a sharp rise in prices.

The industry has given warning that its costs, and by implication its prices, will rise this year by between 12 and 15 per cent.

Dr Otmar Emminger, the West German Federal Bank's president, is particularly concerned that such a price rise could force Germany's inflation rate above the present level of about 2.5 per cent.

The prospect of runaway price increases has presented Germany's policy-makers with a serious dilemma. They decided last week to leave the construction industry out of the latest package of measures to stimulate the economy.

But the truly effective way to dampen a new building boom would be to raise interest rates—an action that would hit the rest of German industry.

To a large extent the Bonn Government must blame itself for the present situation. No attempt was made to preserve the industry's productive capacity during the slump and, after it became apparent that recovery was on the way, Bonn continued to draw up new programmes which have now ensured that resources are stretched to the limit.

Peter Norman
in Brussels

Mr Benn gives £131m go ahead for power link of 2,000 megawatts with France

A 2,000 megawatt transmission link between Britain and France is to be constructed at a cost of £131m. Mr Anthony Wedgwood Benn, the Secretary of State for Energy, yesterday gave permission for the link which will provide electricity between Britain and France.

The link will come into operation in two stages: the first 1,000 megawatt in 1982 and the second the following year. It will add to Britain and France's security of supplies and cut costs, by allowing excess coal-fired electricity capacity to be passed to France at night and French oil-fired electricity to Britain during the day.

In brief

Japanese pledge on import curbs

Mr Toshiwo Doko, the powerful leader of Japan's business world, declared yesterday that private industry would cooperate with government policy in holding down the nation's exports and increasing imports to bolster the value of the dollar, Peter Hazelhurst writes from Tokyo.

Speaking in Sapporo, Mr Doko, president of the Federation of Economic Organizations (Keidanren), claimed Japanese business organizations and private companies were taking active steps to reduce the nation's huge trade surplus.

Although the two events are unrelated, the value of the yen tumbled unexpectedly in Tokyo yesterday and closed at 188.40 to the dollar, shortly after Mr Doko spoke in Sapporo.

Addressing a press conference in the provincial capital of Hokkaido, Mr Doko said that business had already placed curbs on the volume of export items such as television, cars and steel.

He expressed his unusually liberal views on trade almost a week after a private survey said that small and medium-sized Japanese export companies could no longer compete on overseas markets if the value of the yen rose further against the dollar.

Saint Piran poses £50,000 on Orme sale

Saint Piran yesterday sold one million shares in Orme Developments, as instructed by the Takeover Panel, suffering a loss of some £50,000 on the deal. Sales were carried out by brokers Joseph Sebag and Foster and Braithwaite at 52½p a share compared with an average purchase price of nearly 58p paid by Saint Piran last week, after a bid from Comben Group was announced.

The purchase put Saint Piran at risk of having to make a full bid for Orme, and as part of its terms for releasing Saint Piran from this obligation the Panel ordered divestment of the 1m shares.

Orme's share price closed at 53p last night after returning from a suspension price of 56½p.

Italian exports up

Italian exports rose 11.9 per cent in value in the first half of 1978, by comparison with the same period last year, to 21,070,000m lire (about £13,336m), the Statistics Institute said yesterday.

Imports, by contrast, rose 0.7 per cent to 21,240,000m lire.

In June imports totalled 3,440,000m lire against 4,290,000m in May. Exports totalled 3,940,000m lire, against 4,000,000m.

Rise in West German industrial output

West German industrial production in June was up a preliminary 0.8 per cent from May and was unchanged from June, 1977, the Economics Ministry said yesterday. Manufacturing orders were up a preliminary 0.6 per cent in June from May and 4.6 per cent from June, 1977. A downward revision of the results for May transformed the previously reported in industrial production from in industrial prodction from April to a 2.5 per cent decline. The ministry said all sectors shared in the June upturn.

US to investigate car fuel claims

The Federal Trade Commission said in Washington it is to investigate car fuel economy and warranty advertising. The commission also will investigate cleaning by detergents and the effectiveness of state laws on the substitution of generic for brand-name drugs.

Switzerland to write-off £53m third world debts

Switzerland has decided to write-off some 180m Swiss francs (about £53m) of loans and interest to seven developing nations. The United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) in Geneva yesterday said the Swiss Government had informed it that it was converting the loans into grants to the countries involved—India, Pakistan, Bangladesh, Kenya, Nepal, Cameroun and Indonesia. The conference has called for an action programme throughout the 1980s to help the poorest nations.

BP silent on oil ship contract

British Petroleum yesterday declined to comment on a report that it would award an order, worth £50m, for a North Sea oil emergency support ship to the lower Clyde yard of Scott Lithgow. Scott Lithgow and Harland and Wolff are the only companies on the short list for the order.

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Progress Continues

Results for (Years ended 31st March)	1978 £	1977 £
Turnover	34,381,000	28,596,000
Group Profit before Tax	3,691,000	2,037,000
Net Profit attributable to Ordinary shares	1,633,000	1,414,000
Gross Dividends per 25p Ordinary share	7.018p	6.38p

Extracts from the Chairman's circulated statement:

I am able to report improved results for your Group and during a year which has been difficult to say the least it has taken a lot of dedication and hard work from everyone to produce these figures.

FOUNDRIES DIVISION
An improvement, despite the fact that it has not been easy to retain reasonable profit margins. We are continuing our programme of modernisation and it is our intention to continue the developments at our foundries to meet any future upsurge in demand.

ENGINEERING DIVISION
This Division has continued to improve its profit contribution. We acquired Thermovitrine Limited last October and this company is proving to be a worthwhile provider of profits for the Group.

OTHER ACTIVITIES DIVISION
Although this Division has managed to marginally improve sales, profits have been slightly retarded because of lower margins and irregular supplies of the goods which we factor. This position is now improving.

OUTLOOK
Demand generally is nowhere near as good as we would like it to be, but we have complete confidence in all our management teams and know they will continue their endeavours to maintain the progress of your Group.

R. Harrison, Chairman

The Report and Accounts were adopted. The Final Dividend provided in the Accounts was confirmed and it was further resolved that a Supplementary Final Dividend of 0.0462p per Ordinary share be paid, together with the Interim Dividend for the current year on or about 28th January, 1979.

Triplex Foundries Group Limited
Castings—Light Engineering—Aluminium Windows
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Pubs will spend £5m on converting handpumps to meet lead standard

By Derek Harris
Commercial Editor

Pubs will have to spend about £5m changing some 100,000 hand-operated beer pumps to meet new lead standards in food regulations now in draft form, the Brewers' Society said yesterday.

The society is advising pubs to make the changes ahead of a statutory alteration in the amount of lead pick-up that will be allowed for beer passing through the handpump mechanism.

Particularly in older engines—such pumps have been in use in Britain for some 200 years—there are alloy parts containing some lead which are in contact with the beer. Gunmetal is a typical alloy involved.

The draft regulations stipulate that the present pick-up level of one part in 2 million should be reduced to one part in 5 million.

The brewers claimed yesterday that no health problem had ever emerged connected with the lead pick-up, although around 1,500 million pints of beer a year have been dispensed in this way.

The main problem over lead pick-up in beer arises when beer has been standing in the pump overnight.

The society said yesterday that licensees were being reminded that they should continue to observe the established procedure for clearing the delivery pipes after a period of non-use. "In view of the new regulation, this is particularly important where unmodified beer engines are being used", the society said.

Other types of beer dispensing equipment are not affected by the lead pick-up problem, according to the society.

Cask conditioned bitter and mild, which accounts for about 14 per cent of the total market, is the type of beer still dispensed through hand-operated engines in contrast to the later pressurized keg methods.

Cask-conditioned beer has gained a new popularity through the efforts of the Campaign for Real Ale (Camra). Camra said yesterday that it was unlikely that the cost of changes—conversion kits cost around £40—would force a switch away from the handpumps. Installing a pressurized system would cost more than the conversion, Camra said.

Nor does the Brewers' Society expect a reduction in the number of the pumps which will be converted using materials like stainless steel or glass.

Brewers have already started conversions.

Homes show average increase of 14.5 pc

By Roger Beard

House prices have increased by 14.5 per cent over the same period last year, according to figures released yesterday by the Department of the Environment. The average price of homes on which new mortgages were approved in the second quarter of 1978 was £15,655—5 per cent up on the previous quarter, seasonally adjusted.

For new homes, the average price is now £17,110, an upward movement of 18.5 per cent over the previous year. The same departmental figures show the current average price of a second-hand house to be £15,360, well over 13 per cent above last year's prices.

Percentage mortgage advances have also gone up. The average mortgage approved over the quarter was £10,252, 65 per cent of the purchase price, down on the previous quarter, but 1 per cent up on the 1977 figure.

Commenting on the disparity between the decline in mortgage advances over the previous quarter against the continued rise in house prices, the Department of the Environment said last night: "The measures taken earlier in the year to reduce the rate of mortgage advance are beginning to bite. The slowing down of advances shows this.

"We look forward to this being carried through to the price of dwellings themselves, but this takes time."

Opinion in the department is that the rate of house price increase, particularly for new homes, peaked in March and April of this year.

"We expect now", the department spokesman concluded, "that the price of new houses—always the prime indicator—will decline in line with the decreased availability of funds."

Dock decline will go on, report says

By Michael Baily

Demand for conventional general cargo berths in Britain's ports will continue to decline as a result of the change to containerization and roll-on traffic, according to a study* by the National Ports Council.

This could undermine the traffic base for many medium and small ports and affect some main ports—such as London's upper docks—significantly, it says.

There will also be a continuing decline in dockworkers, from the present level of around 36,500 to 30,300 in 1980; 29,300 in 1985; and 28,200 in 1990.

But if traffic grows as forecast, manpower requirement should stabilize then. Imaginative job creation measures will be needed in redundant dock areas, the study says.

Port authorities should be financially encouraged to release redundant land areas promptly into the hands of bodies chosen by the Government to deal locally with redevelopment of the inner cities, and there should be a programme of research into the rapid reclamation of old docks.

There is at present no shortage of capacity to handle any big traffic, the study finds. Generally speaking, the financial position of the ports industry has improved, though some ports have done less well.

When a port is facing difficulties it should provide quarterly accounts, and investigations made into further deterioration in depth.

* The Ports Industry, National Ports Council, 1-19 New Oxford St., London WC1A 1DZ. £3.50.

Nationalizing of shipping moved

By Donald Macintyre
Labour Staff

The TUC may formally put its weight behind demands for the nationalization of the shipping industry in September as a result of a motion before congress from the Boilermakers' Society.

The society seeks government measures "to compel British shipowners to order in British yards as a first step to the nationalization of the shipping industry".

This resolution condemns the "spurious argument" that British shipowners need the freedom on the market, on the grounds that "every maritime country" protects its shipbuilding industry, particularly Japan and the United States.

Boilermakers, the dominant skilled union in shipbuilding, insist that British shipbuilders should be "freed from the restrictions imposed by the European Economic Commission on government support to the industry".

But the motion appears more intended to draw fresh attention to the plight of British yards in the present world slump than to pose a direct pre-election challenge to Labour to advocate nationalization of the shipbuilding industry.

Government working party urges quotas on imports of tyres

By Maurice Corina
Industrial Editor

Management and trade union representatives on the Government's industrial strategy sector working party covering tyre-making have asked Mr Edmund Dell, the Secretary of State for Trade, to put quotas on tyre imports.

A letter to Mr Dell from the rubber processing sector working party, whose chairman is Mr John Cousins, records the "grave concern" of management and unions about imports in an industry where one job in five had been lost in the past four years.

It says imports took 38 per cent of the replacement market for car tyres in 1977, and it was felt proposed tariff cuts would further boost imports from Eastern block countries, Japan and fringe European producers such as Spain. Anti-dumping mechanisms are described as inappropriate and totally ineffective.

Mr Cousins: "Grave concern" about jobs

Both sides of the industry were now committed to improving productivity in 15 plants.

"But a substantial part of this commitment . . . depends on the willingness of Government to protect the industry from the forces which are tending to disrupt it," the letter says. "And this willingness in Government must have the sort of visibility which is understood on the shopfloor, in the marketing departments and in the production departments of our tyre companies."

"It is against this background that we would like you to consider the imposition of quotas on disruptive tyre imports at a level which is agreed by the sector working party."

The working party understood the desire to move out of recession by stimulating international trade and supported the idea of a general cut in tariffs as one way of achieving this. But it was also felt that safeguards should be introduced for industries whose survival was threatened by imports.

Inquiry into fast reactor plan urged

By Kenneth Owen

The Government should not wait until a firm proposal is made for the construction of a commercial-sized demonstration fast reactor before holding a public inquiry, the Commons Select Committee on Science and Technology say in a report* published yesterday.

An inquiry into the "many general issues of public policy" involved in the building of such a reactor should be held, regardless of any subsequent inquiry related to specific proposals under planning or electricity generation legislation.

An early inquiry, the committee say, "would give a valuable opportunity to test public opinion on the generic issues". The Science and Technology Select Committee itself would be an appropriate body to conduct such an inquiry, the committee suggests.

There can be no doubt that a decision to construct a commercial-sized fast breeder reactor would raise big issues of public policy, the committee says. "It would represent the first step towards the domination by fast reactors of the national energy supply strategy."

*Third special report from the Select Committee on Science and Technology. Commons Paper 610. HMSO, 25p.

Girobank to lift capital by £8m

The recently renamed National Girobank is to enlarge its capital base by another £8m to cope with its rapid expansion of business.

It will be made up by £4m of public dividend capital (a Treasury advance on which it will have to pay a dividend to the taxpayer) and another £4m of borrowing from the National Loan Fund.

Because the Post Office Corporation has agreed to increase its own loan repayments, the advances are not expected to affect the public sector borrowing requirement.

Giro is expected to earn 12½ per cent on its public dividend capital plus retained profits, but the financial target is due to be reviewed.

Call for food industry aid to redundant

By Hugh Clayton

Better protection is needed for workers made redundant by food companies, Sir Hector Laing, chairman of the Food and Drink Industries Council, said yesterday in a pamphlet* which he wrote with a leading trade union official.

The official was Mr Bobby Smith, a national officer with the General and Municipal Workers' Union, which has one of the largest union memberships in the food industry.

"Where redundancies are unavoidable, time, effort and money must be devoted to providing more effective retraining and job security/income protection, and to examining alternative solutions, such as shorter working", they said.

Some investment which was essential to give consumers value for money might reduce the labour force. An example was the development of computerized process control. The greatest priority in ensuring the best distribution of added value was to maintain the quality of company assets through reinvestment.

The pamphlet was published under the auspices of the Economic Development Committee for the food processing and drink industries. It said that investment in health, safety and the quality of the workplace was as important as investment in technology. "The breakdown of jobs into modules restricts the capacity for working people to use their powers of reasoning", the authors said.

* Investment and Employment; NEDO Books, 1 Steel House, Tothill Street, London SW1H 9LJ.

British Gypsum allowed only part of price rise

By John Huxley

British Gypsum, the monopoly supplier of plasterboard and gypsum plasters used by builders, has remained highly profitable during a period when the construction industry has been in recession, according to a Price Commission report published yesterday.

The commission doubts whether the high return on capital achieved could have been maintained if the company, part of British Plaster Board Industries, did not enjoy a "clear and unchallengeable monopoly".

British Gypsum, which is described as a well-managed and efficient company, wanted to increase its prices by a weighted average of 8 per cent and has already been allowed a 3.361 per cent interim increase under the profits safeguard mechanism.

The commission recommends that part of the increase, a 15.2 per cent rise in carriage charges, should be allowed in full. But it says the remainder of the increase cannot be sustained and should be reduced to an average of 6.5 per cent, with no further increases until the end of March, 1979.

This, it says, should ensure that the company will have adequate means to continue its investment programme without serious financial constraint and that the consumer will be adequately protected.

Over the next three years the company is planning to spend some £50m, about a third of which will be used to develop a new mine and plant in Leicestershire.

The commission concluded that British Gypsum is at the forefront of technology of producing gypsum-related products and that its operating performance compared favourably with that of overseas plants, including those operating against competition.

The report pays careful attention to the company's return on capital calculated on a current cost accounting basis. In the three years to 1973, the return averaged 14 per cent. It subsequently fell to 5.1 per cent as the market declined and costs increased.

The commission notes that over the seven years to 1977 the increase in prices of building plasters and plasterboards totalled 166 per cent and 168 per cent respectively, against an increase in the price index of all building materials of 193 per cent.

Early fall in Japan's surplus 'unlikely'

Paris, Aug 3.—International economists do not expect any substantial early reduction in Japan's current external surplus because trade gains from the appreciation of the yen are likely to exceed, for a certain period, the expected effects on the volume of foreign trade.

This is one of the conclusions reached by the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development in its annual survey of the Japanese economy.

It reiterates that "the large Japanese surplus is an important element of the continuing disequilibria that characterize the world trade and monetary scene, together with the excessive surpluses and deficits of other member countries".

The survey predicts a Japanese current account surplus of $18,000m (about £9,326m) in the calendar year 1978 against $11,000m last year, and a trade surplus of $24,000m.

"A progressive reduction of the current surplus is expected in the course of the coming 12 months, but in the first half of next year it could still be running at an annual rate of around $13,000m".

It says that the role of exchange rates in the adjustment process has posed difficult problems, adding that "the abrupt and sharp" appreciation of the yen in the recent past was one of several disorderly world developments.

It maintains that a smoother adjustment of the yen to underlying market factors, starting at an earlier date, would have been preferable.

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Extracts from the accounts and circulated statement of the Chairman, Sir Henry Warner, Bt.

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Year ended 5 April	1976	1977	1978
	£	£	£
Rents, less rates payable	1,695,120	1,946,006	2,223,320
Surplus from property rentals and other income	1,310,546	1,410,941	1,588,430
Profits from property dealing	1,801,007	1,942,248	2,709,686
Profit subject to taxation	3,330,567	3,396,034	4,362,505
Profit after Tax	1,694,799	1,800,563	2,194,713
Earnings per 25p Ordinary Share	22·40p	23·69p	28·87p
Dividend per 25p Ordinary Share*	8·53p	9·38p	10·32p

*Including tax credit

New regulations to outlaw cosmetics harmful to health

By Robin Young
Consumer Affairs
Correspondent

Under government regulations to be made soon in compliance with an EEC directive on cosmetics, it will be a criminal offence for cosmetic manufacturers, importers or retailers to market any product which is liable to damage health.

This is the first time that British regulations have included such an overriding general duty of care.

It will be possible for offences to be committed even in cases in which products conform with all the detailed provisions of the regulations, or in which the state of scientific knowledge would have made it impossible for the company concerned to know that there was any danger.

Mr John Fraser, Minister of State for Prices and Consumer Protection, said in the Commons yesterday that he welcomed the EEC directive.

Britain exported £65m worth of cosmetics to Europe each year, and a single code of labelling and safety regulations would assist this trade. The regulations would also fill a large gap in Britain's consumer safety law.

All prosecutions will require the consent of the Department of Prices and Consumer Protection.

Mr Fraser said that the Government did not intend to prosecute where offences were committed unintentionally, but the sanction would be useful for getting dangerous products removed from the market swiftly when hazards were revealed.

Mr John Fraser: useful sanctions against dangerous products.

The regulations are likely to be brought into force during the parliamentary recess. They will immediately ban some substances from cosmetic products.

Maximum permitted levels will be stipulated for a list of other ingredients. Where products contain an ingredient to which it is known that people can be allergic, such as lanolin, the fact will have to be clearly stated.

The provisions will require batch marking for cosmetic products, so that any faulty consignments can be quickly traced.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

How to achieve a shorter week—without disputes

From Mr B. J. Humphrey

Sir, I would like to comment on recent articles and correspondence from Hugh Scanlon (June 29) and Bryan Stanley (letter, July 17) regarding the trade union movement campaign for a 35-hour week. Their arguments as published do not show enough constructive suggestions as to how management are supposed to afford these reductions in working capacity which the CBI have estimated will cause a 7 per cent increase in labour costs. It is certainly apparent that any attempt at wage adjustments or productivity deals is unlikely to provide an acceptable solution.

If the prime objective of a shorter working week is to reduce unemployment by work sharing, it would seem to be an appropriate time to consider reinstating Saturday as a working day. Then, if the 35 hours could, in many cases, be concentrated into just four working days it would be possible to introduce a flexi-week system where the two days off (excluding Sunday) could be arranged to suit various groups and employees (shopkeepers seem to manage satisfactorily).

The obvious advantages for management would include the more efficient use of plant, a reduction in overtime costs and shorter lead times which could improve delivery schedules and a reduction in overheads per finished product. Furthermore, it would prevent leisure facilities, public transport and roads coming under the extreme pressure which they currently suffer at weekends, Bank holidays and in the main holiday season.

This change would require a significant change in social attitudes, but it is quite likely that people could use an extra day off each week more beneficially than the suggested longer holidays. This would be particularly valuable if it became acceptable to undergo suitable training and then "work" one of the leisure days in a totally different capacity. I envisage this to be in some sort of community welfare, conservation project or even augmenting some of the understaffed areas such as medicine or local transport. It is quite conceivable that this effort should be rewarded by some form of tax credit funded by the reduced unemployment costs.

The fundamental idea behind this suggestion is that it could give individuals who make a contribution to society some personal satisfaction which may not be created just by making jobs on the introduction of work-sharing. Although there are many short-term economic and administrative difficulties in these suggestions, would it not be more beneficial if everyone adopted this sort of constructive approach rather than spend the next few years in bitter disputes with their inevitable self destructive and inflationary consequences.

Over the next few years our telecommunication system will become one of our major business lifelines and it would be very appropriate if the Post Office, and PO Engineering Union was seen to adopt an imaginative and socially responsible attitude towards their current negotiations and perhaps pave the way for many more people to achieve greater satisfaction in both their work and leisure.

Yours faithfully,
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Herts AL5 4AS.
July 26.

Postal mechanization

From Mr C. E. Clinch

Sir, Mr Gombinski (letter, July 14) takes Mr Noble to task for merely describing the purpose of postcodes and not saying anything about the use being made of them. His concern was of course simply to reply to the earlier letter in your column, which did not embrace usage. Mr Noble is on holiday at present and I am therefore replying to the further points raised.

Mr Gombinski's deductions are based on information which is now more than three years old. Since 1975 we have opened six new mechanized offices making 18 in all, and as recorded in the pages of The Times of June 24 the proportion of mail posted into mechanized offices is already up to 17 per cent. A further 11, some in our major cities, are now in various stages of being equipped.

The proportion of letters posted into mechanized offices is already up to 17 per cent. A further 11, some in our major cities, are now in various stages of being equipped.

The proportion of letters posted into a mechanized letter office will then be 40 per cent, with many more passing through en route to their destination. When further equipment now on order is put into service, we shall have 48 mechanized letter offices, handling 60 per cent of posted mail.

Our programme to mechanize the postal service is planned for completion in the mid 1980s.

Finally Mr Gombinski may have misunderstood our comments about all-numeric postal codes. The point is not whether they are all numeric or alpha numeric: a simple four or five digit code using 10 characters, which is often compared with ours, may be sufficient for the modest objectives of other countries but is not enough to give us the capacity we need for our more comprehensive system. What we have chosen is the realistic solution to keep the code length down to a manageable size.

Yours faithfully,
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August 20.

Building industry register

From Mr W. B. Weaver

Sir, With reference to your article of August 2 headlined "Pact nearer on register for building employers" which reports Mr Reg Freeson, Minister for Housing and Construction, as saying that broad agreement has been reached between employers and union representatives, on a scheme to increase stability of employment in the building industry, I am unsure what the minister means by "broad agreement" but it certainly does not include the 20,000 plus members of the Federation of Master Builders.

As the largest employers' association in the building industry the FMB is opposed to a three register system controlled by joint industrial councils. The FMB favours a single National Voluntary Register; this to be run, not by industrial councils unsuitable for such a task, but by an independent registration and arbitration board in which the public and industry would have confidence.

Yours sincerely,
W. B. WEAVER,
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Federation of Master Builders,
33 John Street,
London, WC1N 2BB.

Appealing to the Inland Revenue

From Mr A. R. Lis

Sir, With reference to Mr Flower's letter concerning his Belfast tax problem (August 2), it appears that the Irish inspector is following Sections 58 and 59 of the Taxes Management Act 1970. These sections effectively substitute a local county court for the general commissioners for proceedings in Northern Ireland; the facility of appeal to the special commissioners remaining available.

However, the inspector appears to be ignoring Schedule 3 to the Taxes Management Act 1970 which should enable your correspondent to elect for the proceedings to take place where he ordinarily resides (assuming his appeal relates to his employment income or capital gains). This election must be in writing and be given not later than the notice of appeal.

Yours faithfully,
A. R. LIS,
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London Road,
High Wycombe HP11 1HJ.
August 2.

UK-US double taxation treaty

From Mr J. A. Newman

Sir, Recently the Government made an official statement on the United Kingdom/United States double tax treaty which reads as follows: "There has been a useful exchange of views, but certain aspects require further explanation and discussions will be resumed."

This statement leaves a great deal to be desired. Not merely because it is a typical example of a meaningless government press release and not merely because this is an area where public discussion and openness would be useful, but because it reveals that the United Kingdom Government is once again avoiding the issue.

It is essential that the United States Senate should know the United Kingdom position in these negotiations. A clear statement of principle is needed which should make the following major points.

(1) The United Kingdom should not accept the unitary principle of taxation as applied by the states of the union to United Kingdom companies and their United States subsidiaries.

(2) The United Kingdom Government should not make tax repayments of advance corporation tax to the United States amounting to $400m up to December 31, 1977, and $400m per annum afterwards. Although these figures are my own since they have not been disputed by either the Treasury or the United States Internal Revenue Service by default they probably agree they are the best current estimates.

(3) The artificial exclusion of the profits of branches of United States banks in the United Kingdom because of the imperfection in the current Article XV will not be allowed. The profits of these banks should be taxed on normal principles backdated to at least, say, 1972. This should also apply to individuals reversing the "Strathalmond" decision.

(4) The United Kingdom territory for tax purposes should not be limited but be extended to include the North Sea, again back to 1972.

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Yours faithfully,
J. A. NEWMAN,
21 Mincing Lane,
London EC3R 7PT.
July 31.

Delays in the construction of Dungeness ‘

From Mr Ted Pugh

Sir, On May 26 The Ti
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nuclear power station, fol
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insulation contractor. Furt
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not be completed in detail u
other components have
installed.

Yours faithfully,
TED PUGH,
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Central Electricity Generati
Board,
Generation Development an
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Barnwood,
Gloucester GL4 7RS.

Companies anc planning agreements

From Mr L. Trimby

Sir, Maurice Corina writes a
planning agreements (July
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Yours faithfully,
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26 South Cliff,
Bexhill-on-Sea,
Sussex TN39 3EH.

Post codes

From Mr J. Ch. Simopoulo

Sir, Mr Boothroyd's sugg
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Yours faithfully,
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Telephone Users' Associa
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London N10 3BP.

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BY THE FINANCIAL EDITOR

Following Wall Street

cial markets were again showing yes- that they are often just as happy to hopefully as arrive. Certainly gilts, a momentary pause in front of the ncement which was promptly made later in the day, were not unduly per- d by the absence of any cut in mini- lending rate since the best that had hoped for was a token cut.

ny case conditions in the money mar- re still not easy enough to justify the ities in making any quick adjustment. revious day's easier trend in liquidity ned up again yesterday with the Bank gland having to help the discount mar- rough purchases of Treasury Bills and ght money shaded back over the 10 nt level.

s, then, especially at the short-end are ng around in a no man's land but the t will start to get a little twitchy if is no reduction in MLR in the next or so. One worry is that dealers can- uite see where any buying of shorts manate from, while the corset inhibits g from the banking system without ng up their interest bearing deposits he inflow of new money to building ies is insuffcient to cope with current g levels. So the next hurdle is likely the banking figures where to the ex- hat the personal lending figures start w some downturn there will be some for the authorities to act on interest

contrast to gilts for once, equities con- to show a new lease of life with the dex closing within a whisker of the evel. The ease with which the Allied g of Trust Houses Forte was handled rovided evidence of the strong under- of the market, backed up by the ved turnover levels these days and terest in second line stocks.

with Wall Street maintaining the ntum which took it to a high for the n Wednesday and ignoring a further the dollar against European curren- largely because of the larger West n trade surplus) if not the yen for London followed faithfully in tow renewed interest in North American pushing the dollar premium up some ts to an effective 53.7.

International

renchment ntinuing

atural in a market short of good ideas vestors should alight on a fallen Blue recovery possibilities. Thus, Reed ational's share price has risen nearly r cent to 153p since June when the indulged in a deck-clearing exercise included a 40 per cent cut in the nd.

thinking goes something like this: risis caused by the Canadian losses at one point seemed to threaten the business have now been fully recog- by management along with realistic ions. The group is fully embarked essential de-gearing exercise by sell- ssets which it considers peripheral to ng-term strategy—examples being this s sale for £27m of the British Colum- ulp and paper interests and the nego-

Jarratt, chairman of Reed International.

with Barlow Rand for the sale of rds of Reed Nampak in South Africa.

all this is achieved Reed will as a more logical business divested t troublesome problems and, who could think about restoring the divi- Yesterday's first quarter results r with the chairman's statement at ual meeting will not upset those who be to this view. Operating profits ld at £30m, interest charges reduced and profits duly ran out £1m up at

is performing a simple balancing n the trading front with bouyant British businesses in building products and publishing offsetting difficult conditions overseas, though losses in Canada by Reed Paper in its second quarter were reduced from $4.5m in the first quarter to $2.2m.

All this suggests that Reed has at least stabilized itself, though the reality for the share price is surely that the group still has much more retrenchment work to do and that despite explanations about future philosophy no one outside the company can yet be sure where it is heading. What we do know is that it is selling good income in businesses like Nampak and that it is relying heavily now on cyclical British businesses which, in the case of publishing, could be at a peak. At best then the underlying prospects for earnings—and the dividend—are dull, and Bowater with much more financial flexibility provides better income and less risk than Reed yielding 7.8 per cent.

Hoover

Still waiting for an upturn

Hoover ran into a price war in its second quarter. An expected upturn in volume sales of durables did not materialize and, since Hoover's 42 heavy stockbuilding programme last year had been matched by other major manufacturers, competition, particularly from Italian importers was fierce. The outcome is that trading margins dipped to 2.6 per cent in the second quarter against 7.2 per cent for the whole of last year. An exchange gain of £926,000 helped cushion the blow but first half profits were still halved at £3.8m.

However, Hoover managed to maintain its market share—about 50 per cent in cleaners and 35 per cent in washing machines. So sales, 16 per cent down in the first quarter were 16 per cent up in the second though there was no volume growth. The price was high promotion costs and sharp discounting.

The group is now talking about some upturn in France, Italy and South Africa with a more promising outlook in Australia where the strong yen is acting against Japanese imports. But Britain must be the best prospect for growth this year at least. This leaves Hoover with the task of increasing volume and widening margins when the upturn comes. The problem here is that, assuming Europe remains sluggish as seems likely, the UK as the most buoyant consumer market will continue to suck in the imports from overstocked manufacturers.

Hoover's hope is that its new products and the promotion lavished on them will keep it in front of the importers. But this assumes a major change in the extreme price sensitivity which Hoover itself has noted in the current market. So with the interim dividend maintained only with some hesitation the shares, at 290p yeld 7.6 per cent and sell at 11.6 times historic earnings, at which point they are vulnerable, given that the British market may be difficult next year.

Electricity loan

Fine terms from the Japanese

The $500m financing by the Electricity Council can only be a further source of concern to those international bankers who have been hoping that lending margins might at last be stabilizing, preparatory to a revival from the present, frequently unprofitable levels. First, the spread over interbank rate of ½ per cent for six years rising to ⅝ per cent for the last four is even finer than on the recent $1,500m Treasury refinancing, although relative size and the fact that the Electricity Council's deal is a new one rather than a restructuring largely explain the difference.

Secondly, the all-Japanese syndicate of banks is further evidence that the Japanese are again beginning to flex their muscles in the international markets. They are becoming increasingly active in yen syndications, and a $700m deal for Brazil, again provided by an all-Japanese group, is said to be under negotiation. Bankers do not believe that Japanese banks will return to the bad old ways of 1973/74, when their aggressive tactics helped lead spreads in a vicious downward spiral. But the presence of additional lending capacity, and the evident Japanese willingness to join in fine rate deals, can only be a further depressant for a market which already has more lending capacity than it needs. Not for four years has there been a better time to borrow.

Effects of a food poisoning scare

The television advertising line, "It's the (fish) John West reject that make John West the best", has not been seen on the screen since last year. Yet, as soon as reports filtered out that four Birmingham pensioners had become seriously ill with suspected botulism after eating John West tinned salmon, it was this catchphrase which immediately sprang to many minds.

This must be both a tribute to the potency of modern advertising—for the majority of those who recall the phrase will probably be at best irregular eaters of tinned salmon—and a warning that when something goes wrong mass advertising can be a two-edged sword.

The company has gone out of its way to cooperate with the health authorities and has been admirably forthright with the media. Yet it will probably be a long time before the average housewife forgets the red salmon scare and her lingering caution may well do damage to the red salmon industry in general and to this part of John West's business in particular.

Few people probably put a date on the Aberdeen typhoid epidemic—it was in fact 1964—and fewer still would be able to recall the exact circumstances of the outbreak which at its peak put 487 people in hospital. But there is still a vague recollection 14 years later that it concerned Argentinian corned beef and many people still do "a double take" when this nourishing food is proferred to them.

Malcolm Brown

The purity of subsequent consignments of corned beef is not in question but something in the psychology the the average consumer seems to trigger off alarms bells when a food which has once been involved in a health scare is mentioned.

It matters not that typhoid and botulism are now extremely rare and that the statistical chances of similar outbreaks being traced back to similar sources must be infinitesimally small. Perhaps it is the fact that food poisoning is, literally, an invisible threat and that it invades the privacy and safety of the home unheralded which gives it such a powerful effect on the mind of the consumer.

Food poisoning, is, of course, as old as meat-meating man himself and it has always produced fear. But in the last couple of decades that fear has taken on a new dimension.

If one scans through the records it is easy enough to find numerous more or less serious instances of food poisoning. But until perhaps the mid-fifties the feeling generated over food poisoning—even when it was on a large scale—tended to be concern for the victims of an outbreak which was localized and clearly containable.

This was probably because much of the food which was being consumed was still locally produced.

The advent of large-scale national and international food processing combines and mass retailing (through supermarkets) has chaged all that. Outbreaks of food poisoning are still predominantly local—the source being close to the victims—but mass marketing of mass produced products means that there is much more widespread and personal concern when such a product becomes suspect.

Every person who buys tinned salmon from a shop anywhere in Britain—be it a corner shop or supermarket—will be wary for quite some time.

And advertising, in newspapers or on television, only magnifies such a problem.

It might make an interesting subject for university research to follow up the present scare over the next few years and determine its effects on the consumer.

Success as a financial centre brings problems for Luxembourg

Peter Norman describes how the Grand Duchy's attractiveness has aroused suspicions among its neighbours

A new milestone has been reached in the short, but so far spectacular, history of Luxembourg as a financial centre. The local subsidiary of a West German bank has just emerged as the Grand Duchy's largest single taxpayer, ahead of such traditional revenue suppliers as the Arbed Steel Group and Luxembourg's successful radio and television company.

Compagnie Luxembourgeoise de la Dresdner Bank AG paid no less than 1,213m francs (nearly £20m) in taxes and other contributions to the Luxembourg state on the strength of its operation in the year to the end of March, 1978.

The Dresdner Bank subsidiary is one of more than 90 banks based in Luxembourg. Thanks to their profits the state's income from corporation tax amounted to about 6,000m francs last year, or some 1,500m francs more than originally expected.

To the Luxembourg authorities the emergence of the bank as the biggest payers of taxes is doubly welcome. Revenues from the banking sector are not only making up for a drop in income from the steel industry which is suffering from recession, but are regarded as proof to the outside world that Luxembourg is not a tax haven.

For, although Luxembourg has long insisted that it is a respectable financial centre, it is still associated in the popular mind with "letter-box" holding companies and tax evasion by individuals availing themselves of the Grand Duchy's banking secrecy rules.

A more reasonable concern about banking in Luxembourg centres on the size that the industry has assumed. Luxembourg's "wholesale" banks, dealing mainly in the interbank money market and Eurocurrency credit operations, have built up a financial centre dwarfing the domestic economy.

In a small state of 360,000 people the banks have accumulated balance sheets totalling 2,115,000m francs, or about £34,000m, by the end of last year. The 20 or so German banks accounted for two thirds of this with their balance sheet assets and liabilities amounting to some 14 per cent of those of their parent banks in the Federal Republic.

The creation of an international financial centre of these proportions in what is otherwise a fairly sleepy corner of the European Community is not necessarily dangerous. But it has awakened the interest of other nations in the type of controls that Luxembourg exercises over its banks. The growing importance of banking for the Luxembourg economy has also created a potential source of conflict with other members of the Community.

The first body to sound the alarm about the activity of banks in the Grand Duchy was the Berlin-based supervisory office for the German banking industry. Its president, Frau Ingclore Bähre, began last autumn to seek a better insight into the credit granting activities of the German banks in Luxembourg. She wanted to establish whether they were circumventing Germany's tough regulations tying the size and nature of credits granted to a bank's capital resources.

The first attempts to reach a bilateral agreement with the Luxembourg Banking Commission failed. Instead a gentleman's agreement will probably be concluded between the various German banking federations and the supervisory office by the end of this year, by which the banks will provide Berlin with certain global figures without disclosing details of their customers' accounts.

German bankers in Luxembourg accept that the supervisory office has a legitimate interest in their activities, if only because their balance-sheet totals now amount to the equivalent of 100,000m Deutsche marks (about £25,440m). But there is some indignation at the way Frau Bähre launched her attack.

The Luxembourg-based banks, besides maintaining internal controls, are subject to strict scrutiny by the office of the Grand Duchy's banking commissioner, M Pierre Jaans.

He points out that Luxembourg, despite its rapid growth, has never had a serious banking crisis such as the Credit Suisse affair in Switzerland last year and the collapse of Bankhaus Herstatt in West Germany in 1974.

Luxembourg authorities have pursued a policy of allowing only high-quality banks to set up in the country, insisting on a fairly high initial capital of 250m francs for a new institution and vetting closely the qualifications and reputation of those who will be placed in charge.

Luxembourg authorities claim that their controls over banks may not be as regimented as those in Germany, but in their effect they are at least as stringent. Every month banks have to submit to the banking commission their balance-sheet figures and forward exchange positions, while the geographical distribution of assets and liabilities is checked every quarter, along with expenditure and earnings statistics.

Each Luxembourg bank is also visited at least once a year by auditors from the banking commission, who, under the terms of a gentlemen's agreement with the banks, are paid slightly more than the bank's own internal auditors. In terms of quantitative controls the bank's capital must not fall below 3 per cent of its total liabilities. At least 30 per cent of liabilities must be short term, not exceeding 30 days to maturity.

As shown by the example of the Dresdner Bank, banks in the Grand Duchy pay large sums in taxes. Corporation tax is fixed at 46.5 per cent and other levies ensure that, as a rule, banks pay more than half of their profits to the state.

The real advantage enjoyed by banks in Luxembourg is that there are no minimum reserve requirements. It was this factor, combined with Luxembourg's closeness to Frankfurt, that prompted the German invasion, which began in 1967, with the founding of Dresdner Bank's Luxembourg's operation.

In other respects the Luxembourg authorities claim that the banks on their territory suffer disadvantages compared with those in London or Zurich. It was only at the beginning of this year that a 10 per cent value-added tax on gold transactions was abolished. The new law, which is due to come into force retroactively from the beginning of this year, will allow banks to offset taxes on interest earnings paid at source abroad against tax in Luxembourg.

The state is to abolish a 5 per cent coupon tax on Luxembourg bond issues and scrap stamp duty on certificates of deposit denominated in foreign currencies.

These changes are all designed to enhance Luxembourg's attraction as a financial centre. But they have provoked suspicion abroad that the Grand Duchy is trying to secure an unfair advantage over other financial capitals in the European Community.

The Luxembourg authorities are in a dilemma. As long as steel is in crisis, they will depend increasingly on banking to meet their revenue needs and prop up the economy. But as the problems with the German supervisory authorities have shown, there are external limits to the amount that they can do to strengthen the financial sector.

Any moves provoking retaliatory measures by one or another of Luxembourg's neighbours would in the end prove counter-productive.

R and D: putting Rothschild into practice

Whatever critics may say, Lord Rothschild's customer/contractor principle is alive and well and living in the Department of Industry, according to the annual reports* of the department's Research and Development Requirements Boards, published yesterday.

It is now five years since these boards were set up to implement the Rothschild concept—that government-funded R and D should be focused directly on the real needs of the user.

Within the framework of the Government's industrial strategy, says Dr Duncan Davies, Chief Scientist and Engineer at the Department of Industry, technology must be developed to ensure that the United Kingdom improves its international competitiveness.

"I believe that industry has no choice in the coming years", he adds, "but to base its investment plans on technology to a much greater extent than previously."

As for the Department of Industry, it intends to go on seeking the advice of industrialists on the kind of technology that industry needs and the way in which the department's R and D priorities should be changed to match those needs more closely. The requirements boards, with members from both government departments and the relevant industries, act as an important forum in assessing these priorities.

This year the boards' reports are grouped together with reports on the department's funding of civil aviation and space technology to give an overall view of its R and D programmes. The permanent boards cover chemicals and minerals; computers, systems and electronics; engineering materials; garment and allied industries; mechanical engineering and machine tools; metrology and standards; and ship marine technology.

There are also a number of ad hoc boards set up by the Chief Scientist to consider such subjects as energy, printing, furniture and electrical technology.

The Department of Industry spent £125.1m on research and development in 1977-78, only about £800,000 more than in the previous year. But for 1978-79 the estimated total is £136.8m, of which space technology (£33.1m) and civil aircraft technology (£17.1m) will continue to be the largest single items.

Industry's share of the R and D work in 1977-78 amounted to £48.6m, which in 1978-79 is expected to rise to £59.2m. In many programmes the department's money is matched by an equal amount from the companies involved.

Projects range from advanced new technologies in aerospace and electronics to the wider use of existing technology in a range of different industries—the so-called "technology transfer" process. A flavour of the work of the requirements boards is given in the following examples of current projects.

In chemicals and minerals, good progress has been made on the car exhaust catalyst based on Atomic Energy Authority research, in collaboration with Johnson Matthey, which can control exhaust gases to well below the levels required by the United States Environmental Protection Agency. European car manufacturers are evaluating it and decisions to install units in production models may be taken soon.

The special Fecralloy steels used as a substrate for the catalyst have been produced in tonnage quantities in Britain and the United States, with United Kingdom production licences granted to Firth Brown and Resistalloy. Other applications for the alloys are being pursued.

One of the Chief Scientist's boards has worked on electrical technology. The new sodium sulphur battery is one of its projects and many of the technical problems on this battery—aimed at use in motor vehicles—have now been overcome. The developers are moving closer to pilot-scale manufacture.

Other forms of battery—including the nickel-zinc type and an advanced primary battery using an air electrode—are also being considered for use in vehicles.

The Garment and Allied Industries Requirements Board, appropriately known as GARB, has encouraged technology transfer, but reports benefits also in "spin-off" from high technology. "The complete changeover to the Rothschild principle of support for clearly defined projects, both at the research associations and in industry, has now been achieved", the board says bluntly.

In footwear, GARB reports, rapid changes in fashion and design mean frequent changes in manufacturing techniques. Good progress has been made in developing a microprocessor-controlled sewing machine with automatic edge guidance.

A deliberate increase in work with industry is noted by the Mechanical Engineering and Machine Tools Board. Ten priority sectors have been identified: office machinery; packaging and food and drink processing machinery; ferrous and non-ferrous foundries; drop-forging; construction and earth-moving equipment; hydraulic machinery and fluid power; computer-aided engineering; composite materials; the vehicle industry; and engineering standards.

A useful exercise in computer-aided draughting, which could have wide application in engineering, was mounted by the Ford Company and the department's Computer Aided Design Centre. The system was installed in the chassis design office at the Ford Engineering Centre at Dunton, Essex. This office carries out a wide range of work on automotive mechanical and hydraulic systems which, in terms of draughting, is typical of very many light engineering design offices throughout the country.

The Ship and Marine Technology Board would like to increase the proportion of its total budget represented by joint ventures with industry (at present 20 per cent). But companies remain reluctant to invest in R and D in the present general economic climate, the board comments.

Among projects likely to lead to greater safety at sea is a night ship-handling simulator, developed by Decca Radar. A rocket-launched distress-signal transmitter, using a long aerial which gives a range of 200 miles, is being developed by Wallop Industries.

Undersea technology has included the development of a remotely controlled seabed vehicle, Seabug, a joint venture by UDI Operations, P & O Subsea and the National Engineering Laboratory.

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Technology Correspondent

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Business Diary: Whither Hattersley and his price-fixers?

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he Labour point of so the theory goes, ess emphasis on rigid price control and more ncy and competition

Counter-theorists in Whitehall turn the argument round and suggest that competition policy, which includes mergers and restrictive practices, should stay with the DPCP, which should be given extra muscle. Their line is: why keep the trade department going?

The main trade questions, like imports and exports, could go to Industry, with company insurance and weights and measures going perhaps to the DPCP.

■ The EEC is looking at ways of simplifying the movement of goods within the Community. According to the sculptress Ghisha Koenig, who lives in this country, they cannot complete the job quickly enough for artists who, like herself, are offered exhibitions in other member countries.

In Miss Koenig's case the exhibition was to be in Amsterdam and at first she was heartened to find that both Holland and the United Kingdom had signed the Brussels Convention 1961 and the Florence Agreement of 1950, both intended to speed the exchange of cultural materials.

But a UNESCO Certificate for the customs authorities, supplied by the International Association of Art, was deemed insufficient documentation. The Department of Trade told her she needed Form T2L.

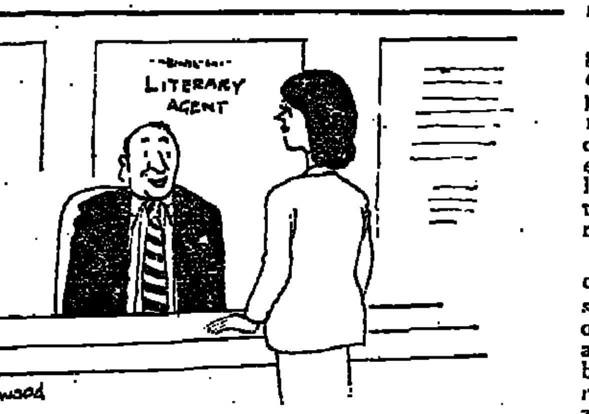
Form T2L, when it arrived, told her she would need a Notice No 751 to tell her how to fill it in.

The 24-page Notice No 751, when that came, said that Form T2L would have to be lodged with an export entry, which Customs and Excise explained, meant she needed a Form C273.

Form C273, when it came, could be completed only with the assistance of Notice No 276 and, even when that arrived, Miss Koenig still needed Customs and Excise help with code numbers from their tariff.

Even then Dutch customs greeted her with news that the documentation was not complete and she had to wait more than six hours while more documents were made out, examined and stamped. If she had done the whole thing through art carriers, she estimates, it would have cost £700.

Artists who can pack watercolours, rolled canvases or small items of sculpture well out of sight, it seems, are almost forced to turn smuggler by the excessively complicated rules about moving their works across national frontiers.



"I've sent your three plays to Channel 4. It's as well they are considered before they adopt permanent literary standards."

■ There is an ironic postscript to the latest attack by the Equal Opportunities Commission on male privilege, this time as practised by the building societies, particularly the Woolwich Equitable.

Photograph: David Jones

We're with the Woolwich: Consumers' Association's Anne Rigg in London yesterday.

According to a survey carried out for the commission by the Consumers' Association Survey Unit, the building societies are likely to discriminate against couples where the wife earns more than the husband. But Anne Rigg, the association's senior survey officer who organized the EOC survey, has just obtained a rather large mortgage from the Woolwich—and she earns more than her industrial chemist husband, Tony.

■ The unimaginable has happened to *The Countryman*, the rustic quarterly devoted to village life, agricultural bygones and witticisms in dialect. The magazine has been reported to the Press Council.

The reason is that the journal, which enjoys a circulation of 78,000, the security of membership of the powerful United Newspapers group and editorial offices in a listed building in the Cotswold market town of Burford, rejected an advertisement from a newish competitor, *The Vole*, edited by Richard Boston.

Boston, whose ecology-minded publication has yet to make any money, is cross because—he says—the advertisement went out of the way to be nice to *The Countryman*.

Sexual discrimination being in both on the news pages and elsewhere in Business Diary today I again turn to an old favaurite, my local paper, the South London Press. *An item entitled "'ello, 'ello" notes: "A woman's topless protest against her bail conditions flopped at Peckham police station on Friday when the station officer greeted her with 'Good afternoon, sir'." The officer explained that the lady had short hair and was "rather under-endowed."*

Anderson Strathclyde Limited

SUMMARY OF RESULTS

Year ended 31 March	1978	1977
	£000	£000
Turnover	46,769	40,254
Group Profit before tax	3,974	3,266
Dividends	895	801
Profit retained	2,411	1,508
Earnings per share	10.5p	7.3p

At the Annual General Meeting held on 3 August 1978 a scrip issue was approved of 1 Ordinary Share for each 5 held. It is the directors' present intention to recommend, legislation permitting, that the rate of dividend be maintained next year on the increased Share Capital.

Extracts from the Statement by the Chairman, Mr R H Thorpe CBE:

"Trading in the home market in mining products improved throughout the year and is expected to continue with a strong demand for spare parts and a phasing in of our latest machines to maintain the impetus required by the Plan for Coal."

"Technical development expenditure and capital investment have been maintained to help to ensure the company's future strength."

"Barring unforeseen circumstances, I am confident of further advance being made in the year ahead."

Anderson Strathclyde Ltd, 47 Broad Street, Glasgow G40 2QW

Stock markets

All-time 'high' for All-Share Index

As if masterminded by some dramatic fate, the *FT* Ordinary share index postponed its breakthrough the 500 level once again. But only just. For the index, helped in after hours by a *strong opening on Wall* Street, ended the day with a gain of 4.6 at 499.9.

The "Grand Old Duke of York" tendencies of the past few sessions were in evidence again yesterday with shares rallying, dipping and climbing again to end at their best levels.

Helped initially by Wall Street's sharpest one-day trading for over three years, shares held firm throughout the morning.

However, the absence of the anticipated reduction in MLR and speculators closing their *positions before the end of the* account today combined to take the market easier over lunch.

Dealers are reporting continued investment buying, particularly on any dip in prices, and the index looks set fair to *climb higher again today.*

There is growing talk among brokers of a slowdown in trading at Armstrong Equipment, the thrusting shock-absorber group run by Mr Jesse Harry Hooper. At present, the shares are 63p, nicely poised between this year's peak of 70p and "low" of 55p There is also an impression that Armstrong is not doing as well with its new spare parts wholesaling network as it anticipated. If its shares fall, it will, of course, become more difficult for the group to make acquisitions advantageously for paper.

The all-share index, however, hit an all-time record climbing 1.33 to 228.32 yesterday. The last time this index neared that level was at the beginning of May 1972 when the Ordinary share index was at the 540 level.

Gilts had a quiet session, particularly in the morning as investors awaited any MLR announcement. In fact British Funds generally went better on the "no change" as hopes are now being pinned on a half point cut next week

Longs ended with gains of around ⅛ though the new tap, Exchequer 12 per cent 1999-2002, was *untested at the partly* paid price of £15.

Some afternoon buying at the shorter end of the market gave stocks gains of around three sixteenths in places but selling into this strength eroded the rally and left prices about a sixteenth down by the close.

Of the leader stocks to improve Beecham led the way up, touching 707p bid at one stage before *slipping back to close* at 703p with a net gain of 6p.

Elsewhere ICI added 5p to 395p, Thorn climbed 6p to 280p and GEC at 281p, Glaxo at 597p and Unilever at 538p firmed 2p each. GKN added a penny to 286p, BAT was unchanged at 285p, while Metal Box eased 4p to 350p.

Following Wednesday's share placing Trust Houses Forte firmed 2p to 232p while Allied Breweries marked time at 93p.

Comment on the Government's petroleum revenue tax helped oil shares recover some *of the lost ground and gains of* 2p-4p left BP at 844p, Shell at 565p, LASMO at 150p and Ultramar at 266p. Thomson Organisation, which initially suffered one of the sharpest setbacks, rose 10p to 275p.

Reed *International* ended with a net gain of 4p at 153p, after 157p. First-quarter profits were much as expected but the *sale of the British Columbian* interests got a good reception.

Elsewhere in papers, Bowater added 4p to 196p following an increase in American newsprint prices while trading profits from East Lancashire Paper added 2p to the equity at 57p

The Shares of Hoover took a bearing, losing 5p at one stage, before rallying to end 2p down *at 290p following profits below* market expectations. Waring & Gillow added 5p to 127p Thomas-Witter firmed 2½p to 52½p and John James, 50p up 1½p, also improved on figures.

By contrast, Best & May shed 4p to 58p and Dixons Photographic which reported earlier, eased a further 2p to *142p.*

Annual meetings inspired buying at Shaw Carpet, 49p and Valor 54p which both added 4p. However the chairman's warning at IC Gas brought out the sellers and the shares dipped *7p to 377p.*

A strong dollar premium, where the effective rate rose 4.5 to 53.68 per cent helped overseas stocks such as Philips Lamps at £9 13/32 and Unilever NV at £25¾, both almost a half point better, and Royal Dutch Shell which climbed £1⅝ to £48½.

Compton Sons & Webb spurted 8p to 45p following a bid approach from Vantona, 4p lower at 127p despite better than expected figures.

Orme Developments returned from its 45½p suspension at 53p *while St Piran eased* a penny to 54p on the back of the Takeover Panel ruling. Comben, currently bidding for Orme also lost 1p to 34p.

In a buoyant insurance sector, where the interim reporting season starts in the next account, Sun Alliance rose 12p to 557p, Pearl climbed 8p to 254p and Legal & General at 175p, Commercial Union at 159p and General Accident at 232p gained two or three pence.

Speculative interest continues to help second and third liners and among those to benefit yesterday were Freemans, 12p better at 364p, Eurotherm, at an all time high of 175p following a 7p rise, Brook St Bureau which added 6p to 77p following comment and Alpine Soft Drinks which reached 149p. Profit taking brought Farnell back 8p to 335p after its recent sharp rise.

Montague Meyer added 3p to *93p following some 250,000* shares going through the market earlier this week.

Other firm spots in this sector were Taylor Woodrow 8p better at 384p, index stock Blue Circle which added 9p to 273p, Laing "A" *6p firmer at 199p and* Redland, still benefitting from recent results, 5p higher at 166p.

A buyer of Management Agency & Music has left the market somewhat short of stock and pushed the price to 87p. Although Tom Jones is currently making his first film—for television—the group itself thinks the interest is coming more from its likely increase on profits on the fruit machine side. As yet, there have been no bid approaches.

Properties eased slightly on the same again MLR rate but Land Securities at 237p and Great Portland at *318p* managed to hold gains of 2p.

In banks only Lloyds could manage to improve, adding 2p to 262p while Barclays at 342p, Midland at 353p and National Westminster at 270p closed unchanged.

Following a strong Wall Street City & Foreign Investment rose 5p to 85p.

Equity turnover on August 2 was £203,847m (18,444 bargains). Active stocks yesterday, according to Exchange Telegraph, were ICI, Reed Int, BP, Shell, RTZ reg, Bt Land, Barclays, BAT dfd, Beecham, Plessey, Racal, Tilling Thomas, *Distillers, MAMS, City Hotels,* Hoover and Thomson Org.

Latest results

Company Int or Fin	Sales £m	Profits £m	Earnings per share	Div pence	Pay date	Year's total
J. Austin (Steel) (F)	10.7(11.9)	0.76(0.83)	12.4(13.3)	3.67(3.27)	16/10	5.9(5.2)
P. Black (Hldgs) (F)	22.6(17.5)	1.9(1.4)	22.35(17.53)	4.0(3.5)	9/10	6.42(5.7)
Bollington Tex (F)	—(—)	0.08(0.11)	—(—)	—(—)	—	—(—)
Clarke, Nicholls (I)	—(—)	0.15(0.15)	—(—)	—(—)	—	—(—)
G. M. Firth (F)	7.6(7.9)	0.02(0.19)	0.55(3.5)	2.5(2.0)	—	2.5(4.0)
Hoover (I)	95.1(95.2)	3.8(7.6)	—(—)	5.6(5.6)	12/10	—(—)
Horne Bros (I)	7.10(17.5b)	0.49a(1.1b)	—(—)	—(—)	—	—(—)
J. James Grp (F)	—(—)	3.3(2.8)	9.2(8.0)	2.7(2.12)	—	—(—)
E. Lancs Paper (I)	14.51(14.51)	0.70(0.63)	4.7(5.5)	1.5(1.3)	8/9	—(—)
Malaysia Rubber (F)		0.13(0.12)	3.46(3.3)	1.75(1.31)	—	2.2(1.5)
Midland Trst (F)	—(—)	0.33(0.28)	—(—)	3.0(2.4)	29/9	4.4(3.6)
River Plate & Gen (I)		0.52(0.49)	3.59(3.29)	1.75(1.50)	1/9	—(—)
W. Ransm & Sns (F)	2.5(1.9)	0.62(0.54)	—(—)	1.9(1.7)	18/9	3.13(2.78)
Tace (I)	6.6(6.2)	0.20(0.27)	2.1(1.4)	0.5(0.5)	11/9	—(—)
Vantona Grp (I)	39.1(39.8)	3.3(3.2)	8.5(8.3)	1.9(1.7)	—	—(—)
Waring & Gillow (F)	44.9(39.7)	3.6(2.7)	17.24(10.07)	2.5(2.4)	—	3.5(3.4)
Thos. Witter (I)	13.0(11.2)	0.63(0.44)	—(—)	0.67(0.66)	2/10	—(—)

Dividends in this table are shown net of tax on pence per share. Elsewhere in Business News dividends are shown on a gross basis. To establish gross multiply the net *dividend by 1.49. Profits are shown* pre-tax and earnings are net. a=28 weeks. b=84 weeks.

F W Woolworth's July sales up by 9 pc

New York.—F. W. Woolworth's consolidated sales for the four weeks to July 25 *totalled $418.61m (about £217m)* a rise of 9 per cent from the similar period last year. For the 26 weeks to July 25, sales rose by 8.3 per cent to $2,642.18m (£1,371m).—AP-Dow Jones.

International

Finsider loan

Rome.—Finsider, the state steel holding company, has signed a contract with an international banking consortium for a $65m five-year loan at a margin of 1⅛ per cent above Libor. *Proceeds of the* loan are to be used to finance group exports. The loan is repayable in five six-monthly instalments from the end of *the third* year.—Reuter.

Long Island Lighting

Mineola, NY.—Long Island Lighting Co has entered into an agreement with Bokum Resources of Santa Fe, New Mexico, under which Long Island Lighting will provide about $50m to be used by Bokum to complete a uranium mine and mill on Bokum Resources' Marquez Properties in New Mexico.—AP-Dow Jones.

Indonesian contracts

Montreal.—A Canadian engineering group has gained the advantage in international bidding for certain contracts on a *$1,070m coal-mining and power* project in Indonesia. A three-company Canadian group, led by Montreal Engineering, a subsidiary of Monenco, is negotiating management and engineering-design-contracts for the mine and transport segments of the project. Also in the Canadian group are Canadian Pacific Consulting Services, owned by Canadian Pacific Ltd of Montreal and Swan Wooster Engineering of Vancouver.—AP-Dow-Jones.

National-Texas

Miami.—National Airlines has cautioned its shareholders that *Texas International* Airlines' plan to acquire control of National raises "substantial legal issues". National said it is concerned about Texas International's plan to raise foreign equity capital and the legal and business aspects of this financing. Texas International is planning a public offering outside the United States of up to $25m of convertible debentures. National said it has not yet been contacted by Texas International.—Reuter.

Mitsui OSK Lines

Mitsui OSK Lines, of Japan, has announced that its consolidated net profit for the year ended March 31 totalled 2,800m yen (about £7m). Sales totalled about 380,400m yen.

Mitsui's overseas subsidiaries are Mol International, Orange Overseas Management Company, Brave Transport, Gallant Transport, Menam Express, Onward *Shipping Company (Panama),* Orange Car Carriers, Pacific Tankers Panama, Pacific Venture Shipping, Pearl Car Carrier, Puget Chip Carriers, Sea Corridor Panama, Seven Seas Enterprise Corporation, Sunstar Car Carrier, Victoria Panama and Virginia Panama.

Wheelock Maritime

Wheelock Maritime had a net attributable after-tax profit HK$43.30m (HK$33.72m) for the year ended March 31.

Final dividend is 22.5 cents per "A" share (20) and 2.25 *cents* per "B" share, making total for "A" shares of 37.5 cents (35) and for "B" shares 3.75 (3.5).

Olivetti loan

Ivrea-Olivetti has been granted a five-year-term of $40m. by Societe Europeenne de Banque, Luxembourg. The final agreement was signed in *Luxembourg. The loan* was granted to the Olivetti International S.A. unit. It will be used for financing Olivetti's activities abroad.—*A.P.-Dow.* Jones.

Cons Plantations—Patani Para

Consodidated Plantations is to make an offer for the *outstanding 47,686 stock units of* 10p each in Patani Para Plantations not already owned by Consolidated. Terms: *for every three Patani units, 16 shares in* Consolidated.

Consolidated, which owns 872,314 units in Patani (about 94.8 per cent) has been advised by Kleinwort, Benson.

Metal Box Singapore

Singapore.—Fraser and Neave Ltd (F and N) and Malayan Breweries (MBL) have agreed *to subscribe* to a total of 7m new ordinary shares of S1 (Singapore) each in Metal Box Singapore Ltd at S2.32 per share to finance Metal Box's expansion programme, Baring Sanwa Ltd reports.

Under the expansion programme, Metal Box will build a new plant to manufacture two-piece cans in Singapore and both F and N and MBL have given their undertakings to continue as major customers.

A Baring Sanwa statement said F and N and MBL will subscribe for 3.5m new Metal Box shares each, resulting in the two companies holding 17 per cent each in Metal Box's enlarged paid-up capital of S20.5m.

The shareholdings of Metal Box Overseas Ltd the parent company of Metal Box Singapore, will be reduced to 41 per cent from the present 62 per cent, while the general public shareholding will be reduced *to 25 per cent from 38 per cent.*—Reuter.

NZ Forest

Melbourne.—New Zealand Forest Products plans to acquire a 60 per cent stake in *the Marley Co (New Zealand)* Ltd, a wholly owned unit of Marley Overseas Ltd, subject to approval of the Examiner of Commercial Practices.

John James reaches peak pre-tax

An impressive performance, in spite of *difficult* trading conditions, has enabled the John James Group of Companies to push up pre-tax profits for the year to March 31 by 19.2 per cent to a record £3.4m.

Shareholders will receive a final dividend of 2.37p gross, making a total for the year of 4.12p, compared with 3.75p.

News of the improved profits pushed the shares up 1½p to 50p yesterday, putting them on a *p/e ratio of* 5.4 and a yield of 8.24 per cent. Mr John James, chairman, said that the group's investment income is still steadily rising. At the same time, it is maintaining its strong financial position and profitability, and if political and economic events are not too onerous, he expects the steady progress to continue.

At the *half-way stage*, the group reported pre-tax profits up from £885,000 to £1m, on turnover up from £7.9m to £10.9m.

Orders are high at Valor

The first four months have confirmed the trend experienced since November at Valor, when gas cooker and heater sales showed a decided upward swing, Mr Michael Montague, the chairman, told the annual *meeting. Current order books* for gas heaters and cookers are well up and group sales account for one quarter of the gas heater market and one sixth of the gas cooker market.

More than one quarter of factory capacity remains unused, however, an dthe board is actively looking for new products to utilise this space. The *strength of its cash flow allows* the group to finance expansion, advertising and campaigning through normal resources.

With gas very much in the vogue, the board looks for a further progressive year both in the home market, and overseas where the gorup's salesmen are having gratifying success, despite the new higher rate of the *pound.*

During this autumn, the group is spending nearly £500,000 on advertising its gas cooker and heater products.

Briefly

J. & J. DYSON
Turnover for year to March 31, £33.9m (£29.9m). Pre-tax profit £2.9m £1.1m). Earnings per share 11.7p (8.6p). Final dividend 2.4p gross. Total for year 5.3p gross

T. COWIE
Group has now completed purchase of Appleyard of Barnsley from Appleyard Group of Companies for £170,000 in cash. Net book value of assets acquired was £133,100. Name is being changed to Cowies of Barnsley.

CITY OFFICES COMPANY
Gross income for half year to June 30 was £667,800 (£647,500). Pre-tax profit was £554,900 (£522,500). Earnings per share were 1.3p .1.24p). Interim dividend is 1.28p gross (1.14p gross).

TEMPLE BAR INVST TRUST
Gross revenue for six months to June 30 was £1.2m (£1.1m). Pre-tax earnings were £1.1m (£1.0m). Interim dividend is 2.2p gross.

HIDONG ESTATE
Turnover for year to March 31 was $M926,800 ($M958,800). Pre-tax loss was $M45,700 (profit $M155,000). There is no dividend (same).

CITY OF LDN BREWERY & INV
Owing to agency transmission error, results of City of London Brewery and Investment Trust were incorrectly stated yesterday. Total income for year to June 30 was £2.5m (£2.3m). Fourth interim dividend 1.43p gross, making 4.14p (3.7p).

ANGLO AM CORP SA
Following reduction in ACT dividend announced on June 16 will be 16.75 cents.

ALLAN KENNEDY
Turnover for year to February 28, £1.44m (£1.17m 11 months). Pre-tax profit £152,000 (£153,000). Earnings 9.30p (10.25p). Final dividend 2.6p, making 4.0p gross (same).

GAILEY GRP/BL EDGINGTON
Proposed merger between Black and Edgington and Gailey Group is not to be referred to Monopolies Commission.

NCR CORP
NCR Corp has acquired Quantor Corpn and is now the sole distributor of Quantor products worldwide.

TRIDENT LIFE ASSURANCE
New annual premiums for first quarter of current year total £362,000—more than 50 per cent higher than similar *1977* half. Single premiums, at £3.2m, have maintained the very high level of 1977.

PITMAN LTD
Capital reorganization, including a variation of the rights attaching to the existing preference shares; and placing of new 10 per cent cumulative preference shares. The resolutions proposed at the separate general meetings and the extraordinary general meeting to give effect to the above proposals were approved by shareholders.

APPLEYARD GROUP
The Appleyard Group has sold the business of Appleyard (Aberdeen) and one property to *Aberdeen Motors* for £365,823 in cash. Receipt of £50,000 of the consideration is deferred to June 23, 1979, and a further *£50,000 to June 23, 1980.*

JAMES AUSTIN STEEL
Turnover for year to March 31 was *£10.7m (£11.9m).* Pre-tax profit was £768,500 (£837,900). Final dividend is 5.4p gross (4.7p gross), making total of 8.8p gross (7.8p gross).

RIVER AND MERCANTILE TST
Gross revenue for half-year to June 30 was *£1.1m* (£994,900). Earnings per share were 4.82p (4.19p). Interim dividend is 5.2p gross (4.47p gross).

BOLLINGTON TEXTILE
Pre-tax profit for year to March 31 was £81,100 (£114,900).

CLARKE, NICHOLLS AND COOMBS
Pre-tax profit for half-year to *June 30 was £191,700* (£140,600).

THOMAS WITTER
Sales for half-year to May 31 were *£13m (£11.2m). Interim* dividend is 0.99p gross (0.98p gross).

WGI ACQUIRE G. SANDS
WGI announces that it has purchased whole of share capital of G. Sands & Sons, structural engineers. Nottingham, for £174,200 cash.

Thorn to boost capital spending

By Rosemary Unsworth

An increased level of capital expenditure this year will be coupled by Thorn Electrical Industries with an expansion by acquisition in the United States and Europe and a move into the Far East, the chairman, Sir Richard Cave says in his annual report.

Expenditure last year totalled £131.8m, with the United Kingdom accounting for £104.6m and overseas for £27.2m, he says. The total is made up by £43.9m for fixed assets and £87.9m for rental television sets.

"I believe the company is in good heart and ready to tackle its problems and accept its opportunities and that reasonable results will be achieved in the present financial year", says Sir Richard.

The longer-term ambitions of the lighting, television and radio group requirer a strong *United Kingdom base, which,* Sir Richard says, Thorn has and will improve upon. Studies have also been made on the *company's future role in the* important area of microelectronics as the directors are alert to the impact that changing technology will have on product ranges in the future.

It remains the directors' view that Thorn has many strengths and that it is right for them to promote future growth, Sir Richard adds. "But progress in *this direction* can only be justified provided that circumstances are favourable and sufficient internal preparation has taken *place.*"

At a time when unwarranted Government interference continues to increase, this preparation takes more effort and a longer period than is necessary, Sir Richard tells shareholders.

M James' shares below asset value

The board of the Coventry-based Maurice James Industries is trying to bring the Stock Exchange quotation of its shares "more into line with the value of its assets", the chairman, Mr Maurice James, announced *yesterday.*

He said that the quotation does not reflect the true value of the company, an industrial *holding group. It would be* therefore inappropriate to forecast profits for the current year, he said. The group's net asset value a share is 18p, and the shares stand at 12½p.

Mr James announced the imminent sale of engineering subsidiary, Joshua Bigwood & Son. The company has also closed the loss-making activities *of Marcroft Engineering and* other unprofitable assets. The company should realize about £1.2m from these sales, he added. "The transactions will improve very substantially the liquidity of the group."

J Compton, Webb shares rise as bid talks start with Vantona

By Michael Clark

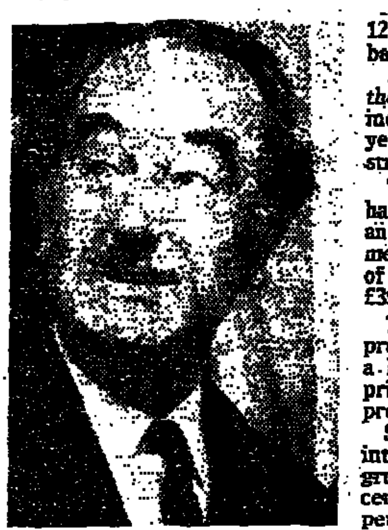
As well as reporting a slight increase in profits at the half-way stage, Vantona, the household textile group, is in talks which could lead to it making *a bid for the uniform clothing* group, J. Compton Sons & Webb.

On Wednesday Vantona said that it increased its stake of 60,000 ordinary shares in Compton Webb when it purchased a *further 1.5 million* from Throgmorton Trust at 32p a share, thereby increasing its stake to 8.91 per cent of the total.

News of the bid approach sent the shares of Compton Webb *up 8p to 45p yesterday,* where at this level a bid would value them at about £7.6m.

Vantona said that while Compton Webb was not comparable with its present business, it had been impressed with Compton Webb's management and also its export business which it believed could be expanded.

Apart from telling shareholders to take no action Compton Webb refused to comment on the bid approach.



Lord Chelwood, chairman of J. Compton, Sons and Webb.

At the same time Vantona reports an increase in pre-tax profits for the six months to June 2, of 3.8 per cent to £3.3m, *which was better than most* City expectations. But in spite of this the shares eased 4p to 127p yesterday mainly back of the bid talks.

Looking to the secon *the group is expecting a* increase in results for t year and is encouraged stronger order book.

The improvement in t half was mainly the re an across-the-board in ment and was achieved i of a slip in turnover £39.8m to £39.1m.

Trading generally, ha proved difficult due ma a lull in demand couple prices which remained pressure.

Shareholders will rece interim dividend of gross, an *increase of* 1 cent over the corresp period.

Extraordinary debit £241,000, against a cre £67,000, relate to the tot of phasing out product Cromer Ring Mill.

The group is cu investing £2.2m in R. G Stockport, which is expec *supply the major* pa Vantona's polyester and yarn requirements.

East Lancs Paper manages to lift interim results

By Peter Wainwright

Life is not getting much easier for East Lancashire Paper Group and it shows few signs of doing so. That is the way it was in the six months to June 30 too. So the group did well to raise pre-tax profits from £636,000 to £708,000. But this is a margin-sensitive business, and these *profits* were only 4.8 per cent of the sales of £14.5m.

However, East Lancashire does not seem to be on the verge of a strong upswing in its *paper cycle. The directors* content themselves with the view that "the result for the second half year will not be far from that of the first".

Steps have been taken to pull round the loss-making Waldorf stationery and greeting cards subsidiary and there are signs of them taking effect. But it is apparently far too early to say that Waldorf will do more this year *than progressively lose less* money.

In the interim report the directors underline this by deducting £78,000 in reorganization expenses before arriving at six-monthly earnings a share of 4.7p, against 5.5p.

Stocks of pulp and paper around the world are down, and prices are tending to harden. But *business volume is not* growing and France and Germany are dumping paper in Britain. It all looks as if the *group will do well to raise pre-tax* profits from £1.15m to £1.5m this year.

The interim dividend rises by a tenth to 2.25p gross. The group has a record of dividend stability through the bad years so there is no obvious scope for anything dramatic here. Given a 10 per cent rise for the year, the yield is 10 per cent at 57p.

Dutch setback hits Tace

By Victor Felstead

In spite of turnover expanding from £6.25m to £6.66m in the half-year to March 31, pre-tax profits of Tace Ltd dropped from £272,000 to £207,000.

The board explains that, as expected, the results of the United Kingdom companies continue to show "satisfactory progress", achieving an increase of some 25 per cent in profits *over the similar period last year.* However, severe foreign competition affecting the group's Dutch companies has been more prolonged than feared and this —and to a lesser extent a recession in some sectors of the United States economy—caused the half-time fall. Profits attributable to shareholders rose from *£86,000 to £132,000, following* reduced extraordinary items and minorities and reflecting the change in the basis of accounting for deferred tax adopted at September 30, 1977.

An extensive management reorganization in the Dutch companies is expected to yield tangible results next year, while the encouraging trend in the *United Kingdom should* be maintained. An unchanged interim dividend of 0.74p gross, is being paid. Tace covers control engineering, industrial products, precision engineering and power tool accessories.

Mining

Assoc Minerals' losses

Problems continue at ciated Minerals Consoli 46 per cent controlled by solidated Gold Fields, incurred losses for the ye the end of June of SA *(£1.66m)* compared with p in the previous year SA1.16m. The directors d expect an early retur profitability and are declaring a dividend.

Nevertheless, *results* sh a distinct improvement in second half, with losses cut fromSA2.03m in the *six months SA727,000.* produces rutile, benefic ilmenite, ordinary ilme and zircon. Prices should firm, the directors believe, that world capacity for minerals has been reduced it will be some time b higher prices are reflecte AMC's contracts.

Profits at Anglo Ame *Coal, which is 48.6* per owned by Anglo American poration, rose again in the months ending June 3 R27.9m (£16.6m), ag R21.2m for the same peri last year. Coal and coke by volume were 12.7m ton 217,000 tons respectively, pared with 12.4m tons 257,000 tons for the first of 1977. Profits on these were up 18 per cent, profits for the group as a rose 27.3 per cent.

Strike hits Culter Guard Bridge

High hopes of continuing the profitability of the second half of last year for Culter Guard Bridge Holdings, paper manufacturers and converters, have been dashed by a strike and increased *costs in the first* months of this year, says the chairman, Mr Roger Fleming.

Last year second-half profits rose *10 per cent* to £438,000 to give a total for the year of £508,000.

This year, against the disappointment of the first six months, the prospect of increasing prices seems good, he told shareholders at the annual meeting yesterday. But he added that the company had been waiting for three years to bring prices up to a more realistic level.

Horne Bros still wary about full year

Interim figures from Horne Brothers, the general outfitters, show pre-tax profits for the 28 weeks to March 25, as £492,000. This compares with the previous figure of £1.1m for the 84 weeks to September 10, and was achieved on turnover of £7.1m as against £15.8*m*. The board has already indicated that results for the full year are expected to be depressed by the exceptional start of a new manufacturing factory and the acquisition of additional retail sites.

Pearson Longman buys York group

Agreement has been reached for the Westminster Press subsidiary of Pearson Longman to acquire Rusholmes Printers of York. Following completion the business of Rusholmes will be merged with Herald Printers York division of Westminster Press and will then trade as Herald Rusholmes Printers.

The cost of acquiring the shares is not expected to exceed £145,000, although the final cost will not be determined until the accounts for the year to July 31 have been completed.

City Offices to buy Baltic House freehold

The City Offices Company is to acquire the Fishmongers' Company's freehold interest in City Offices' short-leasehold investment property, Baltic House, Leadenhall Street, London. Baltic House in a fully-lr office building which City Offices holds on a sixty-year lease, expiring on Dec 25, 2007, at a fixed annual rent of £1.975, payable to the Fishmongers' Company. The consideration is £2.15m, which will be satisfied by the issue of 4m *ordinary shares in City Offices.* Arrangements have been made for these shares to be placed through S. G. Warburg in conjunction with *Laing & Cruickshank.* The present book value of Baltic House is £3.2m. But the open market value of the combined freehold and leasehold interests is expected to reach £6.65m.

Another record year at Waring & Gillow

The forecast made at the half-way stage that 1977 would be another record year has been borne out at Waring & Gillow (Holdings), the furniture and clothing group. Pre-tax profits for the year to March 31 increased from £2.76m to £3.6m on turnover up from £39.8m to £44.9m. Earnings a share rose by 7.17p to 17.24p. Shareholders will receive a final dividend of 3.75p, making a total for the year of 5.34p gross, an increase of 10 per cent over last year. Mr Manny Cussins, chairman, has waived his entitlement to 99 per cent of the interim dend and all of the final dend. The board is prop a scrip issue on the bas one-for-10.

Mr Thompson plan keep Pyke listing

In his formal offer docu to the shareholders of Pyke, for which he is curr bidding 30p a share, Mr Thompson, states that h tends to make a placing number of shares in order the company can keep its Exchange listing. The number of shares to be p was not disclosed. At pr Mr and Mrs Thompson about 38.8 per cent of the i share capital of this who and retail butcher.

Panama's $70m issu

The floating-rate note is the Eurobond mark Panama is to be raised from an anticipated $ $70m. The issue carries year maturity with inter the higher of either 1 per over interbank rate or cent. It is being arrang Dillon Read Overseas Cor IBJ International.

Dividends recommended

Several companies which proposed to pay additional dividends before the reintroduction of dividend control, yesterday announced ways of paying dividends permitted by *the new legislation.*

Reckitt & Colman, the food and toiletries group, has declared an additional dividend of 0.13[illegible]4p gross to reflect the reduction in the standard rate of income tax from 34 to 33 per cent. The group intended to declare a third interim dividend of 4.2989 gross before the introduction of dividend legislation.

MK Electric Holdings has proposed a final dividend of 4.3p gross, compared with 5.2p gross proposed before the introduction of dividend legislation. The maximum the group is now *permitted* to pay is 8.79p gross for 1977-8 against 7.99p gross in 1976-7.

ERF (Holdings), manufacturers of heavy commercial vehicles and fire appliances, is recommending a final dividend of 1.164p gross, making a total of 3.623p gross for 1977-8.

Akroyd & Smithers the jobbers, has also said it will be unable to pay *the proposed* third interim dividend for the year ending September 30, 1977. It was to pay 4.84p gross, according to the 1977 report.

Net issues for July top £76m

Excluding May, which was boosted by the first instalment of the British Leyland rights issue—which was 99 per cent taken up by the Government—last month was the best for net capital issues this year. July saw gross issues reach £155.4m, against £144.4m in June. Redemptions took £78.9m, leaving net issues at £76.5m, against 71.8m in June. Of this, 20.8£m was in ordinary shares and £54.9m was loan stock.

Options

Land Securities again attracted most of the attention on the traded options pitch, claiming 135 of the 424 contracts dealt.

By contrast, Marks & Spencer only saw one deal and Shell, *Commercial Union,* Courtaulds and GEC also saw little trade.

In Land Securities the January 220 ended unchanged at 27p, the April 220 added 1½p to 33½p and the January 240 firmed 2p to 16.

In the European Options Exchange in Amsterdam, new series in Polaroid Corporation and Hoogovens have been introduced.

Business appointments

Barclays Bank make changes at the top

Mr Anthony Tuke, chairman of Barclays Bank, is to give up the chairmanship of Barclays Bank International in February but will remain a director. He will be succeeded as chairman of BBI by Mr H. U. A. Lambert, who will remain a vice-chairman of Barclays Bank. Mr J. P. G. Wathen is to become a vice-chairman of Barclays, *relinquishing his appointment* as vice-chairman of BBI but remaining a director.

Mr R. H. Banks has gone on to the board of Brentnall *Beard* (Holdings).

Dr D. Hardwick, chairman of the steel division of Johnson & Firth Brown, *has given up* as managing director of Firth Brown but remains chairman. Mr A. Hogg succeeds him as managing director.

Mr *Bob Gibson* has joined the board of Pentos Engineering Group and has succeeded Mr T. S. Ringrose as managing director of Jeavons Contracting. Mr Ringrose is retiring. Mr Brian Cowley has joined the board of Pentos Engineering and has succeeded Mr H. E. *Shaw as managing director* of Jeavons Engineering. Mr Shaw is retiring.

Mr J. H. L. Smith and Mr K. A. Craske have become executive directors of Charles Earley & Marriott (Witney).

Mr Hugh Rolfe has been made *managing director of Ciba-Geigy's* plastics division. He succe K. W. Humphreys who is t to Ciba-Geigy London headq as managing director-design the plastics and additives co

Mr H. S. Spratt has been a director of *Bland Payne* national).

Because of health problem Charles Lowe has resign managing director of H. J. but remains on the board.

Mr J. M. Darling has been a director of E. D. & F (Sugar).

Mr Andrew Jackson has managing director of Denco ings, taking over from M Miller, who is to become chairman of the group.

Mr W. W. Kinkead, f general manager and a dire W. & T. Avery, becomes ing director. Mr E. J. formerly general manager director of Avery Export, b managing director.

Mr Frank O'Shanohun, chairman, has become chair Extel dvertising and PR. ceeds *Mr John Glyn,* who tired from the boarAd. Mr Harrison, managing direc Frank O'Shanohun Ass *general public* relations d and Mr George Welham, a c of Extel PR, financial pu lations division, become di *of Extel Advertising* and P

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MARKET REPORTS

Eurobond prices (midday indicators)

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Commodities

COPPER was very steady.—Afternoon.—Cash wire bars, £723.50-25.50 a metric ton; three months, £746-45.50. Sales, 2,900 tons. Cash cathodes, £720.50-21.50; three months, £741-41.50. Sales, nil. Morning.—Cash wire bars, £733-33.50; three months, £745.50-44.00. Settlement, £725.50. Sales, 6,750 tons. Cash cathodes, £719.50-20.50; three months, £740-40.50. Settlement, £720.50. Sales, 1,000 tons.

SILVER lost about 3p in the ring.—Bullion market (fixing levels).—Spot, 287.5p per troy ounce (United States cents equivalent, 555.2); three months, 295.3p (566.7c); six months, 302.4p (577.8c); one year, 318.7p (602.4c). London Metal Exchange.—Afternoon.—Cash, 286.9-87.2p; three months, 294.3-94.6p. Sales, 75 lots of 10,000 troy ounces each. Morning.—Cash, 288.8-89.1p; three months, 295-96.1p. Settlement, 289.1p. Sales, 46 lots.

TIN was easier.—Afternoon.—Standard cash, £6,500-6,505 a metric ton; three months, £6,110-20. Sales, 250 tons. High grade, cash, £6,500-6,505; three months, £6,135-40. Sales, nil. Morning.—Standard cash, £6,525-32; three months, £6,130-40. Settlement, £6,532. Sales, 750 tons. High grade, cash, £6,525-32; three months, £6,145-60. Settlement, £6,532. Sales, nil. Singapore tin ex-works, SM1,755 a picul.

LEAD was very firm.—Afternoon.—Cash, £320.50-21.00 per metric ton; three months, £320.50-21.00. Sales, 2,600 tons. Morning.—Cash, £318.75-19.25; three months, £324.50-25.00. Settlement, £319.25. Sales, 3,300 tons.

ZINC was steady.—Afternoon.—Cash, £311.25-11.75 a metric ton; three months, £321-21.50. Sales, 450 tons. Morning.—Cash, £311-11.50; three months, £321-21.50. Settlement, £311.50. Sales, 2,400 tons. All afternoon prices are unofficial.

PLATINUM was at £135.80 ($262.00) a troy ounce.

RUBBER was steadier (pence per kilo).—Sept, 54-54.50; Oct, 54.75-55.25; Oct-Dec, 55.75-56.10; Jan-March, 57.70-58.00; April-June, 59.55-60.05; July-Sept, 61.75-61.85; Oct-Dec, 63.55-63.70; Jan-March, 65.40-65.65; April-June, 67.10-67.50. Sales, 158 lots at 15 tonnes.

RUBBER PHYSICALS were steadier.—Spot, 53.25-54.25. Cifs. Sept, 56-56.35; Oct, 56.25-56.75.

COFFEE: Robustas were easier; arabicas were quiet.—

ROBUSTAS (£ per metric ton): Sept, 1183-90; Nov, 1128-30; Jan, 1080-84; March, 1033-34; May, 1002-1004; July, 985-94; Sept, 960-90. Sales: 2065 lots including 44 options.

ARABICAS ($ per 50 kilos): Aug, 113-50; Oct, 122-35; Dec, 122-31; Feb, 115-27; April, 111-25; June, 110-25; Aug, 110-25. Sales: 11 lots.

COCOA was firm (£ per metric ton).—Sept, 1789-95; Dec, 1775-80; March, 1749-50; May, 1730-31; July, 1710-20; Sept, 1690-1760; Dec, 1670-1700. Sales: 4558 lots. ICCO prices: daily, 150.55c; 15-day average, 145.87c; 22-day average, 144.04 (US cents per lb).

SUGAR: The London daily price of "raws" was £3 higher at £90; the "whites" price was £2 higher at £91.1. Futures were steady (£ per metric ton).—Oct, 90.55-90.60; Dec, 92.50-92.55; March, 97.75-97.80; May, 100.10-100.20; Aug, 103.25-03.60; Oct, 106.40-06.50; Dec, 109.40-09.75. Sales: 3,250 lots. ISA prices: 6.52c; 15-day average 6.51c.

SOYABEAN MEAL was steady (£ per metric ton).—Aug, 102-12; Oct, 109.50-10.00; Dec, 110.80-11.00; Feb, 111.50-12.50; April, 113-13.50; June, 115-16; Aug, 115-18. Sales: 121 lots.

WOOL: Greasy futures (pence per kilo).—Australian (quiet).—Oct, 237-41; Dec, 243-46; March, 243-47; May, 245-47; July, 244-48; Oct, 248-52; Dec, 248-52. Sales: One lot. New Zealand crossbreds (quiet): Dec, 181-85; March, 184-85; May, 185-87; July, 187-89; Oct, 187-92; Dec, 189-91. Sales: Nil.

JUTE was quiet.—Bangladesh white "C" grade, Sept-Oct, $470 per long ton. "D" grade, Sept-Oct, $ 162. Calcutta was dull.—Indian, spot, Rs450 per bale of 400lb. Dundee Tossa Four spot, Rs450.

GRAIN (The Baltic).—WHEAT.—Canadian western red spring No 1, 13½ per cent: Aug, £91.50 Tilbury. United States dark northern spring No 2, 14 per cent: Aug, £77; Sept, £77.25; Oct, £78.50 trans-shipment east coast.

MAIZE.—No 3 yellow American/French: Aug, £98; Sept, £99 trans-shipment east coast. South African white: Aug, £69 Liverpool Glasgow. South African yellow: Aug, £69 Liverpool Glasgow.

BARLEY was unquoted. All per tonne cif United Kingdom unless stated.

London Grain Futures Market (Gafta). EEC origin.—BARLEY was slightly easier.—Sept, £79.50; Nov, £82.15; Jan, £84.85; March, £87.30; May, £89.00. Sales, 92 lots. WHEAT was slightly easier.—Sept, £85.15; Nov, £87.50; Jan, £90.40; March, £92.90; May, £95.00. Sales, 166 lots.

Home Grown Cereal Authority.—Location ex-farm spot prices.—Feed BARLEY: North Lincs, £76; Hampshire and W Sussex, £74.60.

Meat Commission: Average fatstock prices at representative markets on August 3.—GB: Cattle 69.84p per kg lw (-0.35). UK: Sheep 140.0p per kg est dcw (+6.7). GB: Pigs 60.9p per kg lw (-2.1). England and Wales: Cattle numbers down 16.6 per cent, average price 69.79p (-0.16). Sheep number down 2.7 per cent, average price 141.5p (+6.5). Pig numbers down 7.3 per cent, average price 61.1p (-1.8). Scotland: Cattle numbers down 8.1 per cent, average price 70.59p (-0.85). Sheep numbers down 15.1 per cent, average price 130.4p (+6.1).

Malaysia move on exchange

Kuala Lumpur, Aug 3.—The Malaysian Government has engaged Mr John Wilson, president of the Hongkong Commodity Exchange to advise on the preparations for the proposed commodity exchange here to trade in palm oil, Mr Paul Leong, the Primary Industries Minister, said.

Mr Wilson is expected to give recommendations on the organization, form and structure of the exchange, the type of clearing and guarantee institutions, provisions for regulating and supervising futures trading and the need for suitable measures to attract both local and foreign participation and to promote healthy trading conditions.

His recommendations are expected in about a month.

Wall Street

New York, Aug 3.—The New York stock market closed broadly higher today, but profit-taking had severely eroded steep early gains.

The Dow Jones industrial average was ahead 3.38 points at 886.87. It was up 15¼ points at its high for the day.

Some 1,010 issues gained with about 630 lower. Gainers led by 5-to-1 in an early buying spree.

First hour volume was a record with volume of over 20,000,000 shares, and turnover maintained a near-record pace through much of the volume at close was 63,500,000 shares, a 186-year record.

Analysts related the rally to hopes that interest rates were nearing a peak. However, they said there was no separate news event to account for the sudden surge of buying.

Cotton prices steady

New York, Aug 3.—COTTON prices held steady throughout the afternoon on local and commission house buying but still finished mostly 0.25 to 0.10 cent lower, traders said. Trading was dominated by locals, as evidenced by the relatively light estimated volume of 5,050 lots. Oct, 61.25c; Dec, 63.08-10c; March, 64.70c; May, 65.70c; July, 66.70c; Oct, 65.00c; Dec, 65.40c.

SUGAR futures in No 11 contract were: Sept, 6.88, 89c; Oct, 6.90, 98c; Jan, 7.15/30c; March, 7.45, 47c; May, July, 7.80c; Sept, 8.00c; Oct, 8.10, 14c; Jan, 8.15/60c.

COCOA futures were: Sept, 155.25c; Dec, 148.45c; March, 144.45c; May, 141.90c; July, 139.35c; Sept, 137.50c; Dec, 135.45c.

COFFEE futures in "C" contract were: Sept, 119.00c; Dec, 112.00-50c; March, 106.00c; May, 102.50-5.00c; July, 100.00-6.00c; Sept, 101.00-2.00c; Dec, 95.50-101.00c.

SILVER futures were: Aug, 547.50c; Sept, 551.00c; Oct, 556.00c; Dec, 553.10c; Jan, 567.10c; March, 575.50c; May, 584.10c; July, 593.00c; Sept, 601.90c; Dec, 615.60c; Jan, 620.10c; March, 629.50c; May, 638.90c. Handy and Harman, $5.510 (previous, $5.570). Handy and Harman of Canada, Can$6.271 (previous Can$6.353).

GOLD futures were: NY COMEX: Aug, $200.00; Sept, $201.20; Oct, $202.60; Dec, $205.70; Feb, $208.90; April, $212.20; June, $215.70; Aug, $219.20; Oct, $222.70; Dec, $226.20; Feb, $229.70; April, $233.20; June, $236.70. CHICAGO IMM: Aug, $205.80 nominal; Sept, $200.60-200.90; Dec, $205.40-205.80; March, $210.10-210.50; June, $215.50 bid; Sept, $220.60; Dec, $226.20; March, $231.50.

COPPER futures closed barely steady between 20 and 30 points down.—Aug, 62.80c; Sept, 63.40c; Oct, 63.95c; Dec, 65.20c; Jan, 65.80c; March, 66.95c; May, 68.00c; July, 69.10c; Sept, 70.10c; Dec, 71.60c; Jan, 72.15c; March, 73.20c; May, 74.20c.

CHICAGO SOYABEANS, Oil futures closed 0.02 to 0.12 cent a lb higher while the nearby Meal contract ended down $0.60 a ton, but other months were unchanged to up $1.50. SOYABEANS: Aug, 622-23c; Sept, 612-10¼c; Nov, 599-604c; Jan, 606½-7c; March, 615c; May, 620c; July, 625c; Aug, 620c. SOYABEAN OIL: Aug, 25.40-45c; Sept, 22.70-65c; Oct, 22.10c; Dec, 21.60-65c; Jan, 21.60c; March, 21.63c; May, July, 21.70c; Aug, 21.65-70c. SOYABEAN MEAL: Aug, $162.30; Sept, $161.50-2.00; Oct, $161.50-2.00; Dec, $162.20-2.80; Jan, $163.50-3.50; March, $156.20; May, $157.50; July, $168.00.

CHICAGO GRAINS, WHEAT: Sept, 312½-3c; Dec, 311½-12c; March, 311c; May, 307½c; July, 300½c; Sept, [illegible] nominal. CORN: Sept, 220½-20c; Dec, 227½-27c; March, 236-35½c; May, 241½-42c; July, 243½-43c; Sept, 245c nominal. OATS: Sept, 126½c; Dec, 134c; March, 141c; May, 145c.

	Aug 3	Aug 2
Allied Chem	36⅝	36⅛
Allied Stores	25⅝	25⅛
Allied Supermkt	2⅝	2⅝
Allis Chalmers	38⅝	36⅞
Alcoa	46⅝	46½
Amax Inc	38⅛	37⅞
Amerada Hess	27⅝	28⅛
Am Airlines	17½	18⅛
Am Brands	50⅞	50⅝
Am Broadcast	56⅝	55⅝
Am Can	42⅝	42½
Am Cyanamid	31⅛	31⅜
Am Elec Power	24½	24⅜
Am Home	30⅞	30⅜
Am Motors	5⅝	5⅝
Am Nat Res	43½	43⅜
Am Standard	51	51⅛
Am Telephone	61⅝	60⅝
AMF Inc	19⅝	19⅛
Armco Steel	33½	33⅝
Asarco	16⅝●	16
Ashland Oil	37⅛	38
Atlntic Richfield	50⅜	50⅝
Avco	29⅛	28⅞
Avon Products	59½	56½
Babcock & Wcox	59⅝	58⅝
Bankers Tst NY	36⅝	36⅜
Bank of America	26⅛	25⅝
Bank of NY	33⅝	33⅝
Beatrice Foods	26⅝	25⅞
Bell & Howell	21½	21½
Bendix	40	40
Bethlehem Steel	26½	26⅛
Boeing	70⅛	70⅝
Boise Cascade	30½	30⅝
Borden	27⅞	28
Borg Warner	32⅛	31⅞
Bristol Myers	36⅝	36
BP	18	18⅝
Burlington Ind	18⅞	19
Burlington Nthn	41⅛	40⅞
Burroughs	82⅞	82½
Campbell Soup	35⅛	35⅝
Canadian Pacific	18⅛	18½
Caterpillar	62⅛	61⅞
Celanese	42⅞	42⅛
Central Soya	14⅝	14⅜
Charter NY	31⅞	31⅛
Chase Manhat	33	32½
Chem Bank NY	40⅝	41
Chesapeake Ohio	30⅛	29⅞
Chrysler	11⅛	11⅜
Citicorp	28	24⅞
Cities Service	46	47⅛
Clark Equip	37⅞	36⅞
Coca Cola	45½	43⅛
Colgate	20⅝	20⅜
CBS	61½	60⅝
Columbia Gas	27⅞	26⅞
Combustion Eng	43⅛	42⅞
Comwlth Edison	28	27⅞
Cons Edison	23⅝●	24
Cons Foods	26	25½
Cons Power	24½	24⅜
Continental Grp	30	30⅛
Continental Oil	26⅜	26⅝
Control Data	39⅝	40⅜
Corning Glass	61⅛	61⅛
CPC Intnl	49½	51⅛
Crane	29½	27½
Crocker Int	25⅝	27⅞
Crown Zeller	37½	36⅞
Dart Ind	47⅛	46⅞
Deere	33⅛	33⅝
Del Monte	31⅝	32⅛
Delta Air	55⅜	56⅝
Detroit Edison	16	15⅞
Disney	44	43⅝
Dow Chemical	26⅝	26⅛
Dresser Ind	45½	45⅛
Duke Power	21⅝	21⅝
Du Pont	124⅛	127
Eastern Air	14½	14⅛
Eastman Kodak	62⅞	60½
Eaton Corp	38⅝	38⅝●
El Paso Nat Gas	17½	17⅞
Equitable Life	19⅞	19
Esmark	29⅛	29⅛
Evans P. D.	19½	19⅛
Exxon Corp	47½	48⅝
Fed Dept Stores	38⅝	38
Firestone	13⅝	14
Fst Chicago	23⅛	23
Fst Nat Boston	29½	29⅝
Fst Penn Corp	16⅛	16½
Ford	46½	46⅛
GAF Corp	14½	14⅛
Gamble Skogmo	28⅝	29⅜
Gen Dynamics	86⅝	88⅛
Gen Electric	55⅝	54⅞
Gen Foods	34⅛	33⅛
Gen Mills	33⅞	33⅞
Gen Motors	64½	64
Gen Pub Util NY	19	19⅛
Gen Tel Elec	30½	30
Gen Tire	29½	28⅞
Genesco	5⅞	5⅞
Georgia Pacific	30⅞	30⅞
Getty Oil	34½	34⅞
Gillette	30⅛	30
Goodrich	22½	22
Goodyear	18	18⅛
Gould Inc	31⅞	31
Grace	27 ●	27⅞
Gt Atlic & Pacific	7⅛	7⅛
Greyhound	13⅛	13⅞
Grumman Corp	23½	23⅞
Gulf Oil	23⅞	23⅛
Gulf & West	14½	14⅛
Heinz H. J.	41	40
Hercules	16½	16⅛
Honeywell	68½	70⅛
IC Indr	29⅝	29⅝
Ingersoll	62⅝	60½
Inland Steel	38½	38½
IBM	293⅜●	291½
Int Harvester	39⅞	38½
INCO	16⅛	16½
Int Paper	46⅛	44⅝
Int Tel Tel	32½	32⅛
Jewel Co	22⅛	23⅛
Jim Walter	33½	32⅝
Johns-Manville	31⅞	31⅝
Johnson & John	84⅝	86
Kaiser Alumin	35½	25½
Kennecott	23⅛	23
Kerr McGee	46⅞	47½
Kimberly Clark	46⅛	49
Kraftco Corp	48	47⅞
K Mart	29	28⅝
Kroger	36	35⅛
Ligget Group	35⅞	35⅛
L.T.V. Corp	9½	8½
Litton	23½	22⅛
Lockheed	32⅞	31⅛
Lucky Stores	17½	17
Manuf Hanover	37⅛	36⅛
Mapco	34⅛	34½
Marathon Oil	47⅛	47½
Marine Midland	15½	15⅛
Martin Marietta	30⅛	30⅛
McDonnell	41⅛	40
Mead	23⅛	23
Memorex	50⅛	50⅛
Merck	61⅛	62⅛
Minnesota Mng	61⅛	61⅛
Mobil Oil	64½	64½
Monsanto	55½	55
Morgan J. P.	49⅛	49⅛
Motorola	51⅛	50⅝
NCR Corp	62½	61½
NL Industries	20⅞	20½
Nabisco	23½	24
Nat Distillers	22⅛	22⅛
Nat Steel	34⅛	34½
Norfolk West	24⅞	24⅞
NW Bancorp	24⅝	24⅞
Norton Simon	19⅛	19
Occidental Pet	22⅝	22⅛
Ogden	27⅝	27⅛
Olin Corp	15⅞●	15⅞●
Owens-Illinois	22	22⅛
Pacific Gas Elec	24⅛	24⅛
Pan Am	6⅛	6⅛
Penney J. C.	40½	39⅝
Pennzoil	35⅞	35⅛
Pepsico	73⅝	31½
Pet Inc	54½	54⅛
Pfizer	36⅞	36⅝
Phelps Dodge	24	23⅝
Philip Morris	75⅛	75½
Phillips Petrol	32½	32⅝
Polaroid	51½	51
PPG Ind	28½	28½
Proctor Gamble	90⅝	90⅛
Pub Ser El & Gas	23⅛	23⅝
Pullman	42⅞	43⅛
Rapid American	13⅛	13⅛
Raytheon	56	53⅛
RCA Corp	29⅝	29⅛
Republic Steel	26⅝	26½
Reynolds Ind	59⅝	59½
Reynolds Metal	35½	34⅝
Rockwell Int	36⅞	36⅞
Royal Dutch	61⅞	61⅛
Safeways	45⅛	45
St Regis Paper	31⅛	29⅛
Santa Fe Ind	33½	32⅞
SCM	22⅝	21⅛
Schlumberger	91⅝	89⅛
Scott Paper	17⅞	17½
Seaboard Coast	34⅞	34⅛
Seagram	25⅛	25⅛
Sears Roebuck	26	25⅛
Shell Oil	33½	32⅞
Shell Trans	43	43⅛
Signal Co	33	33
Singer	19½	19
Sony	8	8
Sth Cal Edison	29⅛	29⅛
Southern Pacific	31⅛	31⅛
Southern Rly	54⅞	54½
Sperry Rand	48⅛	47½
Std Brands	26½	26½
Std Oil Califnia	41⅝	42
Std Oil Indiana	50⅝●	50⅛
Std Oil Ohio	39⅛	38⅛
Sterling Drug	18⅞	18½
Stevens J. P.	15⅛	15⅛
Stude Worth	67½	67
Sunbeam Corp	22⅞	22½
Sun Comp	43½	44⅛
Teledyne	112	112⅛
Tenneco	32	31⅞
Texaco	24⅞	25 ●
Texas East Corp	39	38½
Texas Inst	81½	80⅞
Texas Utilities	21⅞	21⅞
Textron	34½	33⅞
TWA	21⅞	21⅛
Travelers Corp	38⅞	38⅛
TRW Inc	41⅛	40⅞
UAL Inc	40½	39⅛
Unilever Ltd	41	40½
Unilever NV	55⅞	55⅛
Union Bancorp	24½	24
Union Carbide	40⅛	40⅛
Union Oil Calif	49	49
Un Pacific Corp	49½	48⅛
Uniroyal	7⅛	7⅛
United Brands	11⅛	11½
US Industries	9⅛	9
US Steel	29⅝	29⅛
Utd Technol	50⅞	50
Wachovia	19½	19⅛
Warner Comm	49⅝	48½
Warner Lambert	30⅛	30⅛
Wells Fargo	30½	30
West'n Bancorp	42	41½
Westnghse Elec	24½	24⅛
Weyerhauser	30⅛	29½
Whirlpool	23⅞	23⅛
White Motor	8½	8⅛
Woolworth	20⅛	20
Xerox Corp	60⅞	60
Zenith	16⅛	17⅛

Canadian Prices

	Aug 3	Aug 2
Abitibi	15	15
Alcan Alumin	35½	35⅛
Algoma Steel	22⅛	22
Bell Telephone	58⅝	58½
Cominco	26⅝	26⅝
Cons Bathurst	31	30⅛
Falconbridge	26⅝	25⅛
Gulf Oil	29⅛	29½
Hawker Sid Can	7.83	7.93
Hudson Bay Min	18⅛	17⅛
Hudson Bay Oil	46½	49½
Imasco	33⅛	33⅛
Imperial Oil	20⅛	20⅛
Int Pipe	16⅛	16½
Mass.-Fergsn	11⅛	11⅛
Royal Trust	19	19
Seagram	29½	29⅛
Steel Co	26⅞	26⅞
Talcorp	10	10
Thomson N 'A'	14⅛	14⅛
Walker Hiram	35⅛	35⅛
WCT	12	12

● Ex div. a Asked. c Ex distribution. h Bid. k Market closed. n New issue p Stock split. t Traded. y Unquoted.

Foreign exchange.—Sterling, spot, 1.9280 (1.9325); three months, 1.9175 (1.9267); Canadian dollar 88.07 (87.75).

The Dow Jones spot commodity index was 354.86. The futures index was 311.65.

The Dow Jones averages.—Industrials, 886.87 (883.49); transportation, 228.73 (230.79); utilities 107.85 (107.84); 65 stocks, 306.99 (305.29). New York Stock Exchange index, NA (57.62); industrials, NA (63.31); transportation, NA (48.74); utilities, NA (37.[illegible]); financial, NA (61.41).

Korakuen Stadium

Frankfurt.—The Korakuen Stadium Company's DM40m, 8½-year convertible bond has a 3.5 per cent coupon and was priced at par, the lead manager, Berliner Handels und Frankfurter Bank, reported. The conversion price is 480 yen per nominal 50-yen share at a fixed exchange rate of 97.5 yen per mark. The bonds are convertible from September 1 this year.—Reuter.

Foreign Exchange

Sterling, in common with other major currencies, traded erratically on active but nervous foreign exchange markets yesterday. At the close the pound was 20 points up at $1.9300 compared with 1.9280 overnight. The trade-weighted index hardened at 62.4 against 62.3.

Helped by Far Eastern buying, the dollar started on a firm note with sterling making a predictable retreat. However, a swift recovery took place when commercial selling put the dollar under some pressure. Another big advance in the West German current account during June did not help and the dollar soon went into a rapid decline.

It fell to yet another fresh low of 1.6390 against the Swiss franc but at the close the Swiss franc was at 1.7055 (1.7110). Deutschmarks strengthened to 2.0320 (2.0390), but the yen finished lower in dollar terms at 188.00 (186.30) as did the French franc 4.3775 (4.3600).

Gold fell $1 to close in London at $202.625 an ounce.

Spot Position of Sterling

	Market rates (day's range) August 3	Market rates (close) August 3
New York	$1.9225-9360	$1.9295-9305
Montreal	$2.1905-2055	$2.1945-1955
Amsterdam	4.24-27fl	4.24½-25½fl
Brussels	61.75-62.15f	61.90-00f
Copenhagen	10.67½-71½k	10.69-70k
Frankfurt	3.91½-95m	3.93-93m
Lisbon	87.10-00e	87.60-90e
Madrid	146.85-147.55p	147.35-45p
Milan	1620-29½lr	1623½-24½lr
Oslo	10.31-34½k	10.33-34k
Paris	8.40-45½f	8.44-45f
Stockholm	8.65½-69k	8.66½-67½k
Tokyo	360-368y	362½-63½y
Vienna	28.20-40sch	28.32-37sch
Zurich	3.26-34½f	3.29½-29½f

Effective exchange rate compared to December 21, 1971, was up 0.1 at 62.4.

Forward Levels

	1 month	3 months
New York	.47-.37c prem	1.10-1.00c prem
Montreal	.50-.40c prem	1.00-.90c prem
Amsterdam	2½-1½c prem	5½-4½c prem
Brussels	20-10c prem	50-40c prem
Copenhagen	½ore prem-1½ore disc	3½-5½ore disc
Frankfurt	2½-1½pf prem	7½-6½pf prem
Lisbon	50-150c disc	150-430c disc
Madrid	20c prem-80c disc	40-110c disc
Milan	3-5lr disc	10-13lr disc
Oslo	2½-1ore prem	2½-½ore prem
Paris	2-1c prem	4-3c prem
Stockholm	1½-3ore disc	4-2ore prem
Vienna	15-5gro prem	35-25gro prem
Zurich	3½-2½c prem	8½-7½c prem

Canadian dollar rate (against US dollar) $0.8789-92.

Euro-$ Deposits

(%) calls, 7½-8; seven days, 7½-8½; one month, 7½-8½; three months, 8½-8½; six months, 8½-8½.

Gold

Gold fixed: am, $201.75 (an ounce); pm, $202.30.

Krugerrand (per coin), non-resident, $206-210 (£107½-109½); resident, $210½-212½ (£109-110).

Sovereigns (new): non-resident, $56-60 (£30-31); resident $59-61 (£30½-31½).

Discount market

Credit was well short of requirements yesterday. To relieve the shortage, the Bank of England bought a moderate amount of Treasury bills and a small quantity of local authority bills directly from the houses. The total of the help was large, but was considered to be slightly underdone.

There was a slight new Treasury bill maturity in the market's favour, and note circulation decreased modestly but banks balances were a bit run down overnight, there was a large resale of bills bought by the bank at an earlier date, the market settled for some gilts sold by the Government Broker on Tuesday, and there were slight local authority bill maturities in official hands.

Very little money appeared during the day, and houses' bids held up at 10-9¾ per cent right through to the close.

Money Market Rates

Bank of England Minimum Lending Rate 10%
(Last changed 8/7/78)
Clearing Banks Base Rate 10%
Discount Mkt Loans %
Overnight: High 10 Low 9¾
Week Fixed 9¾-9¾

Treasury Bills (Dis %)

Buying		Selling	
2 months	9⅞	2 months	9¾
3 months	9⅞	3 months	9⅝

Prime Bank Bills (Dis %) / Trades (Dis %)

2 months	9¾-9⅝	3 months	10⅛
3 months	9¾-9⅝	4 months	10⅛
4 months	9¾-9⅝	6 months	10⅛
6 months	9¾-9⅝		

Local Authority Bonds

1 month	10⅛-10⅛	7 months	9¾-9
2 months	9⅞-9½	8 months	9¾-9
3 months	9⅞-9½	9 months	9⅞-9⅞
4 months	9⅞-9½	10 months	9⅞-9⅞
5 months	9⅞-9½	11 months	9⅞-9⅞
6 months	9⅞-9⅞	12 months	10-9⅞

Secondary Mkt. £ CD Rates (%)

1 month	9⅞-9¾	6 months	9⅞-9⅞
3 months	9⅞-9¾	12 months	9⅞-9⅞

Local Authority Market (%)

2 days	9⅞	3 months	9⅞
7 days	9⅞	6 months	9⅞
1 month	9⅞	1 year	10⅛-10⅛

Interbank Market (%)

Overnight: Open 9¾		Close 10⅛	
1 week	10⅛-10	6 months	9⅞-9⅞
1 month	9⅞-9⅞	9 months	9⅞-10
3 months	9⅞-9⅞	12 months	10⅛-10

First Class Finance Houses (Mkt. Rate %)
3 months 10⅛ 6 months 10⅛

Finance House Base Rate 10½%

Recent Issues

	Closing Price
Barnet 12¼% 1987 (£25)	£25⅛
Crabtree (D.) 20p Ord (75)	92
Carliers Superfoods 20p Ord (55)	72+1
E Anglia Wtr 7% Pf 1983 (£97½)	£97
Edinburgh Var 1983 (£100)	£99⅝
Eurotherm Int 10p Ord (100)	175+1
Exch 12% 1999-02 (£96)	£15
Greenwich 11% 1986 (£96)	£19⅛
Hunting Petroleum Serv 25p Ord (95)	93
Jones (Ernest) 10p Ord (125)	143+1
Robinson Bros 11% Pf (109)	107
Sth Tyneside 12% 1986 (£99a)	£30⅛
Thames Plywood 25p Ord (34)	34
Tyne and Wear 12% Rd Db 1986 (£98½d)	£40⅛
W Kent Wtr 12% Db 1986 (£98½e)	£24⅛

RIGHTS ISSUES	Latest date of renunc	Closing Price
1977 Grp (£A2.75)	Aug 30	32 prem+2
U C P Hldgs (72)	Sep 1	92½
Tea[illegible] (119)	Sep 6	35 prem+1

Issue price in parentheses. * Ex dividend. † Issued by tender. ‡ Nil paid. a £10 paid. b £30 paid. c £25 paid. d £30 paid. e £25 paid. f Fully paid. g £41 paid. h £35 paid. i £45 paid. j £55 paid.

Bank Base Rates

ABN Bank	10%
Barclays Bank	10%
B.C.C.I. Bank	10%
Consolidated Crdts.	10%
C. Hoare & Co.	*10%
Lloyds Bank	10%
London Mercantile	10%
Midland Bank	10%
Nat Westminster	10%
Rossminster	10%
TSB	10%
Williams and Glyn's	10%

* 7 day deposits on sums of £10,000 and under 6½%, up to £25,000, 7½%, over £25,000 8¼%.

NEW UNDERWRITING VENTURE

It has been agreed between G. E. Oatley and Greig Fester that a joint reinsurance underwriting venture will be established to underwrite London market business on behalf of a selected group of Insurance Companies.

This announcement follows G. E. Oatley's recent resignation from Sphere Drake Underwriting Limited and his other appointments within the Alexander Howden Group of Companies.

A further announcement will be made in due course.

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The Over-the-Counter Market

1977/78 Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div(p)	Yld %	P/E
29	Airsprung Ord	64	—	5.4	8.5	8.4
106	Airsprung 18½% CULS	200	—	18.5	9.2	—
25	Armitage & Rhodes	42	—	3.3	7.8	17.9
105	Bardon Hill	170	+1	12.0	7.1	9.2
51	Deborah Ord	118	—	5.1	4.3	9.5
108	Deborah 17½% CULS	230	—	17.5	7.6	—
120	Frederick Parker	126	−2	12.4	9.8	5.0
135	George Blair	142	—	15.0	10.6	5.7
36	Jackson Group	51	—	5.0	9.8	6.0
55	James Burrough	110	—	6.5	5.9	10.2
188	Robert Jenkins	308	—	29.7	9.6	5.1
9	Twinlock Ord	20	+¼	—	—	17.9
54	Twinlock 12% ULS	78	−1	12.0	15.4	—
54	Unilock Holdings	80	−2	7.4	9.3	8.6
67	Walter Alexander	105	−1	7.2	6.9	6.5

WANKIE COLLIERY COMPANY LIMITED

(Incorporated in Rhodesia)

NOTICE TO HOLDERS OF 5½ PER CENT FIRST MORTGAGE DEBENTURE STOCK 1962/1978

FINAL INTEREST PAYMENT NO. 50

Notice is hereby given that no transfers of debenture stock will be registered by the Company after 17th August, 1978, and that warrants in payment of interest due in respect of the half year ending 31st August, 1978, are due to be paid on that date to debenture stockholders registered at the close of business on 17th August, 1978.

Interest is payable in United Kingdom currency and payment will be made from Salisbury and Johannesburg in the Rhodesian or South African equivalent of the sterling value at the rate of exchange ruling at the close of business on 31st August, 1978. Warrants in payment of interest will be posted as soon as possible thereafter.

In terms of exchange control regulations payment of interest to stockholders resident in the United Kingdom, Zambia or Tanzania, must be made to a blocked account in the stockholder's name with a registered commercial bank in Rhodesia. Arrangements are being made for stockholders formerly paid from the United Kingdom and who are not resident in the United Kingdom, Zambia or Tanzania to be paid their interest from London.

By order of the Board
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August, 1978.

Authorized Units, Insurance & Offshore Funds

Authorized Unit Trusts

Offshore and International Funds

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BELL'S
SCOTCH WHISKY
"Afore ye go"

Stock Exchange Prices

All-share index reaches peak

ACCOUNT DAYS: Dealings Began, July 24. Dealings End, Today. § Contango Day, Aug 7. Settlement Day, Aug 15

§ Forward bargains are permitted on two previous days

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BRITISH FUNDS

1977/78 High	Low	Stock	Price	Ch'ge	Int. only Yield	Gross Red. Yield
100⅛	90⁹⁄₃₂	Exch 5% 1976-78	99⅞	..	5.047	11.613
107	99⅞	Treas 11½% 1979	101⅝ ●	..	11.323	8.812
97⅝	84⅝	Treas 3% 1979	95½	..	3.141	7.263
96¾	85¼	Elec 4½% 1974-79	96	+1/16	4.427	7.976
106¹³⁄₁₆	97	Treas 10½% 1979	100¾	+⅛	10.423	9.774
97½	84½	Elec 3½% 1976-79	95¾	..	3.656	7.028
108⅞	97¹⁵⁄₁₆	Treas Cnv 9% 1980	99⁵⁄₁₆	●+1/16	9.073	9.606
105⅝	89⅝	Treas 9½% 1980	99⅝	+⅛	9.578	9.894
94	83⅞	Treas 3½% 1977-80	94	..	3.723	7.002
95¼	83⅝	Fund 5¼% 1978-80	94½	+⅛	5.562	8.588
112⅝	96⅞	Exch 13% 1980	104⅝	+1/16	12.434	10.665
108⁵⁄₁₆	92⅞	Treas 11½% 1981	101⅝	+1/16	11.316	10.697
94⅝	77¹³⁄₁₆	Treas 3½% 1979-81	90¾	● ..	3.878	7.823
104	86¹¹⁄₁₆	Treas 9¾% 1981	97⅝	+1/16	9.986	10.793
97⅝	91¹⁵⁄₁₆	Exch 8¼% 1981	94⅝	+1/16	8.724	10.800
110⅝	94⅝	Exch 9¾% 1981	96¹³⁄₁₆	+⅛	9.614	10.772
92⅞	85⅛	Exch 3% 1981	86⅝	● ..	3.478	8.206
113¹¹⁄₁₆	96¾	Exch 12¾% 1981	104⅞	+⅛	12.187	11.008
100⅝	83¾	Treas 8½% 1980-82	93⅝	..	9.065	10.695
99⅝	72¾	Treas 3% 1982	85⅜	● ..	3.519	7.932
119⁵⁄₁₆	101⅝	Treas 14% 1982	109⅝	+1/16	12.930	11.145
98⅝	89¹¹⁄₁₆	Treas 8¼% 1982	92⅝	+⅛	8.956	10.768
103⅝	91½	Exch 9¼% 1982	93⅝	+1/32	9.906	11.284
96¹³⁄₁₆	89½	Exch 8¼% 1983	91⅞	+⅛	9.522	11.114
97⅝	79⅝	Exch 3% 1983	81⅞	●+⅛	3.675	7.989
114⅝	95¾	Treas 12% 1983	102⅝	+1/16	11.679	11.212
101⅝	89⅝	Treas 9¼% 1983	92⅞	+⅛	9.986	11.230
96½	93	Exch 10% 1983	95⅝	..	10.390	11.423
95	72½	Fund 5½% 1982-84	83	+⅛	6.654	9.667
99⅝	77⅝	Treas 8½% 1984-86	88⅝	+⅛	9.648	10.768
97⅝	67	Fund 6½% 1985-87	80¼	+⅛	8.278	10.285
92⅝	68¾	Treas 7¾% 1985-88	81⅝	+⅛	9.526	10.865
73½	49⅝	Trans 3% 1978-88	64⅝	+⅛	4.681	8.422
73⅝	54¼	Treas 5% 1986-89	68⅝	+⅛	7.512	10.039
120½	90¼	Treas 13% 1990	105⅝	+⅛	12.390	12.175
93½	67⅞	Treas 8¼% 1987-90	81⅛	+⅛	10.306	11.349
111	90⅝	Treas 11¾% 1991	97½	+⅛	12.163	12.290
73⅝	54	Fund 5¾% 1987-91	67½	+⅛	8.773	10.805
117	86⅝	Treas 12¾% 1992	102⅝	+⅛	12.476	12.400
96⅝	84⅝	Treas 10% 1992	86	●+⅛	11.577	12.060
113	88⅝	Exch 12¼% 1992	98½	●+⅛	12.380	12.388
112½	84¾	Treas 12½% 1993	101⅛	+⅛	12.466	12.457
72⅝	51⅛	Fund 6% 1993	64⅝	+⅛	9.601	11.189
126	89	Treas 13¾% 1993	110⅝	+⅛	12.906	12.631
129⅝	69	Treas 14½% 1994	111⅝	●+⅛	12.862	12.625
114⅝	94⅝	Exch 12½% 1994	99⅞	●+⅛	12.514	12.519
95⅝	66½	Treas 9% 1994	81½	+⅛	11.324	11.867
110⅝	93	Treas 12% 1995	97⅝	+⅛	12.394	12.450
51⅞	32⅝	Gas 3% 1990-95	45½	+⅛	6.667	9.702
97⅝	82⅝	Exch 10¼% 1995	86½	+⅛	11.915	12.220
119⅝	87⅝	Treas 12¾% 1995	104⅝	+⅛	12.568	12.529
91⅝	67	Treas 9% 1992-96	81⅞	+⅛	11.495	11.983
133⅝	101⅝	Treas 15¼% 1996	120⅝	+⅛	13.077	12.844
123½	89⅞	Exch 13¼% 1996	107½	+⅛	12.684	12.608
50	32	Rdmptn 3% 1986-96	44⅝	..	6.668	9.616
121	87⅝	Treas 13¼% 1997	105	+⅛	12.688	12.616
98½	85½	Exch 10½% 1997	86⅝	●+⅛	12.099	12.324
89⅝	63⅝	Treas 8¾% 1997	73⅝	●+⅛	11.535	12.009
73⅝	51	Treas 6¾% 1995-98	63½	+⅛	10.942	11.730
135⅝	103½	Treas 15½% 1998	124⅝	+⅛	13.054	12.860
98½	93⅝	Exch 12% 1998	95½	+⅛	12.526	12.370
96⅝	86⅝	Treas 9½% 1999	80⅝	+⅛	11.633	12.141
93⅝	83⅝	Treas 10½% 1999	85⅝	+⅛	12.216	12.391
43⅝	27⅞	Fund 3½% 1999-04	36⅝	..	9.617	10.910
81⅝	57⅝	Treas 8% 2002-06	70⅝	+⅛	11.868	12.084
58½	40⅝	Treas 5½% 2008-12	49⅝	+⅛	11.602	11.856
80	53½	Treas 7¾% 2012-15	65⅝	+⅛	11.946	12.033
96⅝	93½	Exch 12% 2013-17	96⅞	+⅛	12.532	12.544
39⅝	26⅝	Consols 4%	32⅝	+⅛	12.429	..
38⅝	25⅝	War Ln 3½%	31⅛	+⅛	11.389	..
39⅝	26⅞	Conv 3½%	35⅝	+⅛	10.139	..
29⅝	20⅝	Treas 3%	24⅝	+⅛	12.576	..
24⅝	17⅝	Consols 2½%	20⅝	+⅛	12.107	..
24	17⅝	Treas. 2½% Aft 75	20⅞	+⅛	12.500	..

COMMONWEALTH AND FOREIGN

1977/78 High	Low	Stock	Price	Ch'ge	Int. only Yield	Gross Red. Yield
94⅝	79½	Aust 5½% 77-80	94⅝	+⅛	5.364	10.765
88½	69¾	Aust 5½% 81-82	84½	+⅛	6.655	11.465
87⅝	63⅝	Aust 6% 81-83	79½	..	7.543	11.340
95	77⅝	Aust 7% 79-81	89⅝	● ..	7.883	11.044
90	90	Chilean Mixed	90	..		..
75½	61⅝	E Africa 5¾% 77-83	73⅝	..	7.873	13.518
409	187	German 4½% 1930	400	..	..	..
52	32½	Hungary 4½% 1924	49	−1	..	..
90⅝	68⅝	Ireland 7½% 81-83	83	..	..	..
100	84⅝	Jamaica 7¾% 77-79	93		7.935	10.515
392	225	Japan Ass 4% 1910	392	+10	..	..
97½	63	Japan 6% 83-88	69	..		
79⅝	65	Kenya 5% 78-82	75⅝	● ..	6.502	13.476
98	69	Malaya 7¾% 78-82	87	..	8.567	11.569
96½	81½	N Z 6% 76-80	93	● ..	6.428	9.171
79	53⅝	N Z 7¼% 88-92	67	..	10.923	12.384
89	66⅝	N Z 7½% 83-86	83	..	9.143	10.884
91	74	N Rhd 6% 78-81	88	..	6.842	11.932
91	74	Nyasa 6% 78-81	88	..	6.342	11.932
155	142	Peru 6% Ass	142	..	..	..
95½	82	S Africa 9½% 79-81	95⅝	..	..	..
70	30	S Rhd 2½% 65-70	50	..	..	..
65	20	S Rhd 4½% 87-92	40	..	..	..
97	44	S Rhd 6% 78-81	79	..	..	..
55	45	Spanish 4%	51	+1	..	..
81	67	Tang 5½% 78-82	79½	● ..	7.297	13.034
95	60	Uruguay 3½%	96½	..	..	..

LOCAL AUTHORITIES

1977/78 High	Low	Stock	Price	Ch'ge	Int. only Yield	Gross Red. Yield
27	20⅝	L C C 3% 1920	23⅝	●+⅛	12.975	..
94½	64⅝	L C C 5% 80-83	80⅝	..	6.187	10.277
93	72	L C C 5½% 77-81	85⅝	+⅛	6.409	11.007
85⅝	62	L C C 5½% 82-84	80⅝	+1	6.819	8.908
78½	55⅝	L C C 5½% 85-87	70	+⅛	7.924	11.013
97⅝	91⅝	L C C 6% 76-79	96⅝	..	6.236	9.857
78	52⅝	L C C 6¾% 88-90	69½	+⅛	9.764	11.568
75⅝	53	G L C 6¾% 90-92	65½	●+⅛	10.270	11.904
100½	82	G L C 9½% 80-82	93⅝	+⅛	10.180	11.557
107⅝	93½	G L C 12½% 1982	102⅝	.	12.147	11.548
111½	91	G L C 12½% 1983	103	+⅛	12.078	11.611
88⅝	70½	C of L 6¾% 80-82	84½	+⅛	7.689	11.469
93½	69⅝	Ag Mt 7½% 81-84	85⅝	+½	8.408	11.625
77⅝	55⅝	Ag Mt 7¼% 91-93	70	+⅛	11.348	12.694
73½	52⅝	Ag Mt 6½% 85-90	66½	..	10.386	12.269
91⅝	73⅝	Belfast 6½% 77-80	88⅝	..	7.240	11.763
98½	84½	Brighton 6½% 76-79	97⅝	..	6.697	9.566
99⅝	85	Camden 6½% 77-79	98	..	6.631	9.913
91⅝	73½	Croydon 6¾% 78-81	86½	+⅛	7.797	11.785
98½	85½	Edin 6½% 77-79	98⅝	● ..	6.610	9.634
103	80	Glasgow 9¼% 80-82	92½	..	9.991	11.518
100	89	Gwich 6¾% 76-78	99½	..	6.782	10.046
110⅝	96⅝	Liverpl 13½% 1981	105	..	12.842	11.488
33	23⅝	Met Water B 34-03	28⅝	● ..	10.830	12.269
95½	76½	N I 6½% 78-80	92½	..	7.024	12.391
88⅝	60	N I 7% 82-84	78	..	9.142	12.873
88⅝	65	N I Elec 6½% 81-83	81⅝	..	7.948	11.760
98	84	Sthend 5¾% 77-79	97⅝	..	5.370	9.048
85	60⅝	Swark 6¾% 83-86	75	..	8.823	11.183
94½	77⅝	Surrey 6½% 78-80	92⅝	..	6.467	10.958

Investment Dollar Premium 107¾% (108½%).
Premium Conversion Factor 0.6588.

FOREIGN STOCKS

1977/78 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
57	40½	*Bayer*	£54	+1½	134	2.9	23.1
19⅝	11⅝	Commerzbank	£17⅝	+⅛	45.0	2.5	19.3
33	17½	Cp Fn Paris	£33	+2	156	4.7	10.7
62	43	EBES	£53	−3	301	5.7	..
24½	14	Ericsson	£24	+⅛	59.1	2.5	30.5
23	6	Finsider	11	+4	..	..	..
14	4½	Grangers	£9	..	..	..	..
560	385	Hoechst	495	+5	15.8	3.2	16.0
34	8	Montecatini E	14	+3	..	..	..
660	470	Robeco fl.5	625	+13	29.9	4.8	35.7
492	325	Rolinco Subs fl 5	492	−7	..	..	63.6
100	30	Snia Viscosa	66	+4	..	..	..
16⅝	7⁵⁄₁₆	Thyssen-Huette	£9⁵⁄₁₆	+⅛	29.1	3.1	15.6
89½	42	Volkswagen	£89½	+⅛	..	..	..

DOLLAR STOCKS

1977/78 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
12⅝	8⅝	Brascan	£10⅞	+⅛	60.5	5.6	3.6
12	6¹³⁄₁₆	BP Canada	£11⅝	+7/16	..	..	..
15⅝	9½	Can Pac Ord	£14⁹⁄₁₆	+5/16	47.9	3.4	9.2
16⅝	9⅝	*El Paso*	£13½	+⅛	41.7	3.1	25.3
40½	27⅝	Exxon Corp	£37⅝	+1½	..	..	..
35	20⅝	Fluor	£28½	+1	63.7	2.3	12.2
29	16¹³⁄₁₆	Hollinger	£28⅝	+1⅝	..	..	..
33⅝	24⅝	Hud Bay Oil	£31⅝	−1/16	..	..	..
38⅝	14⅝	*Husky Oil*	£27⅝	+⅛	..	..	..
28⅝	9½	INCO	£12⅝	● +⅛	51.7	4.1	19.4
11⅞	6⅞	IU Int	£9⅝	+⅛	46.2	5.1	9.5
33⅝	18½	Kaiser Alum	£28⅝	+1	87.7	3.1	..
10¹³⁄₁₆	6⅝	Massey-Ferg	£7⅝	+⅛	58.1	7.4	13.5
17⅝	11⅞	*Norton Simon*	£15	+1⅛	43.7	2.9	12.0
28¹³⁄₁₆	20	Pacific Petrol	£27⅞	..	..	..	..
26⅝	17⅝	Pan Canadian	£23⅝	..	..	..	..
205	130	Steep Rock	180	+6	..	..	..
12⅝	8½	Trans Can P	£11⅛	+⅛	..	..	..
42	17⅝	US Steel	£22⅝	+⅛	..	..	..
725	725	White Pass	725	.	15.9	2.2	21.0
14⅝	7½	Zapata Corp	£14⅝	+1⅛	15.7	1.1	42.4

BANKS AND DISCOUNTS

1977/78 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
305	185	Alexs Discount	250	..	21.7	8.7	5.7
371½	218½	Allen H & Ross	320	..	29.1	9.1	7.1
206	88½	Allied Irish	206	+1	11.4	5.5	5.0
195	108	Arb-Latham	152	.	15.3	10.0	9.6
287	180	ANZ Grp	284	+9	10.9	3.9	9.5
22⅝	13½	Bank America	£20	+⅛	49.0	2.4	13.8
405	208½	Bk of Ireland	405	+6	22.7	5.6	5.8
27	14	Bk Leumi Israel	18	..	0.4	2.1	13.4
200	160	Bk Leumi UK	160	..	11.2	7.0	14.3
575	370	Bk of NSW	562	+10	19.3	3.4	12.1
315	223	Bk of Scotland	275	..	16.5	6.0	7.0
34⅝	21⅝	Bnks Trst NY	£28⅝	+⅛	161	5.6	10.7
358	227	Barclays Bank	342	..	20.1b	5.9	5.8
230	115	Brown Shipley	227	..	14.1	6.2	7.4
313⅝	185½	Cater Ryder	265	−5	25.6	9.7	..
28⅝	17½	Chase Man	£25	+⅛	114	4.6	12.1
29⅝	13½	Citicorp	£19⅝	−⅛	61.6	3.2	11.6
93	51½	Clive Discount	81	+3	7.0	8.6	6.1
230	170	Com Bk of Aust	220	+6	9.4	4.3	10.3
170	115	Com Bk of Syd	170	+7	7.6	4.5	..
24⅝	12⅝	CC De France	£23½	..	96.0	4.0	16.7
3½	¾	First Nat Fin	2½	..	..	..	..
13½	7	Fraser Ans	10	● ..	..	..	..
210	130	Gerrard & Nat	184	+2	12.4	6.7	4.6
53	37	Gibbs A.	46	.	3.3	7.2	19.7
277	161½	Gillett Bros	232	+2	23.2	10.0	6.7
131	55	Grindlays Hldgs	130	.	4.2	3.2	4.4
255	150	Guinness Peat	248	+3	16.2	6.5	12.3
25	12	Hambros £18	£15½	● ..	146	9.4	..
257	142	*Do Ord*	162	+2	14.6	9.0	7.1
118	74	Hill Samuel	94	+2	7.4	7.9	8.1
348	203½	Hong K & Shang	344	+10	7.7b	2.2	23.7
70⅝	43½	Jessel Toynbee	64	+3	5.0	7.7	..
230	115	Joseph L.	220	.	12.0	5.7	10.4
52	31	Keyser *Ullmann*	49	−1	1.0	2.1	6.6
80	43	King & Shaxson	63	+2	5.3	8.4	4.7
134	76	Kleinwort Ben	104	..	6.2	6.0	7.6
298	188	Lloyds Bank	262	● +2	14.5	5.5	5.2
177	93	Mercury Secs	121	● +2	5.7	4.7	8.4
390	306½	Midland	353	..	22.4	6.3	5.3
65	39	Minster Assets	61	..	5.3	8.8	5.4
240	168	Nat of Aust	223	+3	9.3	4.2	9.8
81	58	Nat Com Bk Grp	72	..	4.2	5.8	5.3
296	205	Nat W'minster	270	..	18.2	6.7	5.6
45⅝	29	Ottoman	£45½	+½	280	6.2	10.6
68	45	Rea Bros	50	..	2.8	5.0	10.0
24¹³⁄₁₆	14¹³⁄₁₆	Royal of Can	£22¹³⁄₁₆	−⅛	71.6	3.2	23.1
450	290	Schroders	410	..	17.3	4.2	9.1
290	168½	*Seccombe Mar*	229	..	20.2	8.8	10.1
88½	51½	Smith St Aubyn	78	+1	7.6	9.7	..
430	283	Standard Chart	408	..	29.6	7.3	5.2
360⅝	313⅝	Union Discount	322	● +2	24.0	7.4	5.3
74	57	Wintrust	69	..	4.6	6.7	17.6

BREWERIES AND DISTILLERIES

1977/78 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
98	58	Allied	93	..	6.2	6.7	12.8
170	87	Bass Charrgton	168	−1	7.6	4.5	11.3
53	28	*Belhaven Grp*	53	+4	..	..	..
258	78½	Bell A.	254	..	7.4	2.9	10.3
110	54½	Boddingtons	106	..	4.0	3.7	16.5
124	64	Brown M.	112	..	6.1	5.4	13.1
177	98	Bulmer HP Hldgs	131	● ..	4.9	3.7	7.7
160	73	Burtonwood	158	● ..	5.2	3.3	8.3
66	40	C of Ldn Dfd	65	..	3.6	5.6	25.6
188	100	Devenish	188	..	9.1	4.9	9.9
200	119	Distillers	200	+3	11.0	5.5	9.4
123	50⅞	Greenall	123	..	4.2	3.4	12.4
298	152	Greene King	298	● +2	12.1	4.1	14.6
198	124	Guinness	166	..	11.0	6.6	7.8
180	95	Hardys & H'sons	180	.	10.9	6.1	12.1
138	53	Highland	143	+2	4.4	3.1	21.3
119	35	*Invergordon*	119	..	2.5	2.1	11.0
184	42	Irish Distillers	154	..	6.1	3.9	10.4
78	31	Marston	78	..	2.9	3.7	9.7
71	46	Scot & Newcastle	68	..	5.2	7.6	6.9
28¹³⁄₁₆	13⅝	Seagram	£20	+1	45.7	2.3	14.0
55	40	*SA Breweries*	83	+3½	7.0	8.4	4.5
117	42	Tomatin	117	..	4.5	3.9	14.5
127	57	Vaux	127	..	6.1	4.8	13.2
101½	55½	Whitbread 'A'	101½	+½	6.0	5.9	6.6
103	60	Do B	103	+1	6.0	5.8	3.9
94	55	Whitbread Inv	94	..	4.1	6.6	27.8
212	114	Wolverhampton	212	..	9.2	4.3	12.5

COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL

A — B

1977/78 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
122	77	AAH	112	+7	9.3	8.3	8.0
42	25	AC Cars	35	● ..	1.4	4.1	7.4
109	39½	AGB Research	109	● +3	5.2	4.7	11.4
245	134	APV Hldgs	243	−2	8.7	3.6	9.0
75	43	Aaronson Bros	75	..	3.0	4.0	7.0
122	62	Acrow	122	+2	3.8	3.1	13.9
95	53	Do A	95	−1	3.5	4.0	10.8
49½	11	Adda Int	49½	+½	1.0	2.0	9.1
282	150	Adwest Group	275	+5	15.2	5.5	7.6
88	34	Aeron't & Gen	68	+1	3.5	5.1	12.1
62	42	Airfix Ind	53½	−½	4.9	9.1	5.1
11½	7⅝	Akzo	£10½	+½	..	..	..
188	79	Albright & W	188	h ..	7.0	3.7	12.3
165	147	Alcan Ord	163	−2	15.0	9.2	5.2
96	60	*Do 10½%*	£83	..	1050	12.7	..
180	71	*Do 9% Cnv*	£150	..	900	6.0	..
300	205	Alginate Ind	290	..	21.2	7.3	8.6
77	44	Allen E. Balfour	47	+1	6.6	14.0	8.6
58	29½	Allen W G.	50	..	4.3	8.8	5.6
100½	44½	*Allied Colloids*	80	● +1	2.6	3.2	14.8
74	43	Allied Insulators	74	..	6.3	8.4	5.7
17	7½	Allied Plant	15½	..	1.1	6.9	6.3
76	19	Alpine Hldgs	76	+½	3.8	4.9	19.5
345	210	Amal Metal	345	+5	24.0	6.9	14.0
148	57⅝	Amal Power	147	..	8.0	5.4	3.9
44	21	Amber Day	44	..	3.0	6.9	6.3
28	6	Amber Ind Hldgs	25	..	0.8	3.0	4.8
96	42	*Anchor Chem*	71	..	6.3	8.8	4.6
80	34	Anderson Strath	80	+½	4.8	5.9	7.7
90	48½	Anglia TV 'A'	87	+1	6.7	7.6	6.1
580	390	Anglo Amer Ind	580	+10	42.2	7.3	6.2
42	22	Ang Swiss Hldgs	33	..	..	..	..
105	49	Appleyard	101	..	9.5n	9.4	3.1
49	19½	Aquascutum 'A'	49	..	2.3	4.7	10.3
137	66⅝	Arlington Mtr	137	+2	11.7	8.6	10.4
76½	38	Armitage Shanks	72	..	6.5	9.1	12.6
73	39	Armst Equip	63	..	3.2	5.0	10.8
94	55⅝	Ass Biscuit	80	..	4.8	6.0	5.4
250	85	Ass Book	233	..	6.1	2.6	7.7
78½	48	Ass Brit Food	71	−1	3.5	4.9	7.3
142	63	Ass Engineer	112	+2	8.3	7.4	5.3
71	36	Ass Fisheries	48	..	..	..	..
65	36½	Ass Leisure	59½	● .	4.6	7.7	6.0
196	121	Ass News	186	+6	8.7	4.7	8.2
68	30	*Ass Paper*	61	..	4.6	7.5	6.5
124	69½	Ass Tel 'A'	123	−1	9.9	8.1	7.3
38	23	Ass Tooling	33	..	3.5n	10.5	12.3
53	23	Astbury & Mdley	52	..	1.8	3.4	5.8
58	27	Atkins Bros	51	..	5.6	10.9	5.7
43	17	Audiotronic	17	−2	..e	..	4.2
38	22	Ault & Wiborg	38	..	3.0	7.8	7.7
99	56	Aurora Hldgs	96	..	8.0	8.3	4.4
102	30	Austin E.	100	..	5.8	5.8	4.5
89	30	Automotive Pd	88	..	2.1	2.3	9.1
45	14½	Avana Grp	43⅝	..	1.7	3.9	7.7
178	113	Averys	178	+6	8.6	4.9	10.4
221	74	Avon Rubber	221	+1	14.1	6.4	3.2
347	235	B.A.T. Ind.	323	..	22.6	7.0	5.9
295	203	Do Dfd	235	..	..	..	..
68	39	BBA Grp	59	..	3.6	6.1	6.0
114	71	BET Dfd	114	+3	8.1	7.1	8.6
136	87	BICC	125	+1	10.7	8.5	10.7
28	20	BL Ltd	22	..	..	..	..
82	61	BOC Int	73½	−½	5.3	7.3	5.3
278	111	BPB Ind	245	+3	11.6	4.7	5.4
56	26	*BPM Hldgs 'A'*	53	..	4.3n	8.2	6.6
43	17½	BSG Int	42½	..	3.2	7.6	4.1
151	26	BSR Ltd	100	+2	7.2	7.2	6.7
331	120½	BTR Ltd	331	+5	12.7	3.8	11.1
141	70	*Babcock & W*	139	+1	5.0	3.7	6.9
36	21	Baggeridge Brk	31	..	3.6	11.4	9.5
9⅝	3	Bailey C.H Ord	6	..	0.3	5.3	46.2
180	93	Baird W.	175	+1	14.2	8.0	5.7
118	65	*Baker Perkins*	118	+2	6.5	5.5	4.0
53	29½	Bambergers	53	+3	4.9	9.2	8.4
105	34	Bambers Stores	96	−1	2.3	2.4	7.2
15	3½	Barker & Dbson	13⅝	..	..e	..	35.3
340	144	Barlow Rand	238	+8	17.7	7.6	4.6
123	39	Barr & Wallace	123	+1	5.6	4.6	4.1
122	37	Do A	122	+1	5.6	4.6	4.1
128	56⅝	Barratt Devs	112	..	12.2	10.9	5.2
54	28	Barrow Hepbn	29	..	5.6	19.2	5.0
61	33⅝	Barton & Sons	61	+1	4.1	6.8	6.3
136	69	Bassett G.	135	+3	5.6	6.4	6.7
99	29	Bath & P'land	80	+3	5.2	6.4	4.6
80	34	Beales J.	75	..	4.4	5.8	3.2
202	69	Beatson Clark	189	..	7.8	4.1	5.0
52	29½	Beauford Grp	49	..	5.1	10.3	8.2
74	48	Beckman A.	74	..	7.4	10.0	8.2
703	373	Beecham Grp	703	+6	28.2	4.0	13.6
83	39½	Bejam Grp	72	..	2.3	3.2	8.9
85	54	Bemrose Corp	71	..	5.8	8.2	9.4
78	22½	Benn Bros	72	−1	3.6	5.0	11.6
211	121	Berec Grp	163	+2	6.5	4.0	7.4
152	74⅝	Berisf'd S & W	152	..	6.5	4.3	5.4
63	31	Berisfords	62	● ..	3.8	6.1	5.2
62	36	Best & May	58	−4	4.3	7.4	10.1
166	122	Bestobell	164	+2	14.3	8.7	7.4
69	28	Bett Bros	60	..	2.7n	4.5	9.4
249	102	Bibby J.	247	..	9.9	4.0	4.7
56	28½	Bifurcated Eng	46	..	4.3	9.3	4.6
89	50	Birm'gham Mint	89	● +3	7.4	8.3	5.3
123	68	*Black & Edg'tn*	115	..	6.6	5.7	14.0
66	32⅝	Blackwd Hodge	65	..	3.4	5.3	6.7
30	15	Blackwood Mt	25 ●	..	..e	..	14.4
258	132	Blagden & N	258	+3	18.2	7.0	11.0
284	133	*Blue Circle Ind*	273	+8	14.2	5.2	7.0
77	38	Blundell Perm	77	+3	4.8	6.2	7.5
16	7½	Boardman K. O.	16	..	1.0	9.2	4.2
73	33	Bodycote	69	..	3.4	4.9	6.7
35	17	*Bonser Eng*	30	● +1	2.2	7.3	8.9
294	128	Booker McCon	284	+2	10.7	3.8	6.3
212	84	B'sey & Hwkes	177	..	7.7	4.3	7.2
161	87	Boot H.	147	−3	13.9	9.5	8.3
242	115	*Boots*	223	..	9.1	4.1	15.7
97	45	Borthwick T.	59	+1	9.4	15.9	8.1
17⅝	11⅝	Boulton W.	16½	..	1.7	10.4	6.7
218	180	Bowater Corp	196	+4	14.7	7.5	8.9
66	34	Bowthrpe Hldgs	59	..	2.5n	4.2	7.0
100	62	Braby Leslie	90	..	8.0	8.9	3.8
76	58	Brady Ind	60	..	5.3	8.8	..
75	48	Do A	57	+2	5.3	9.3	10.8
40	23⅝	Braham Millar	38½	● ..	2.4	6.3	4.9
45	17	Braid Grp	37½	..	2.2	5.7	5.6
179	67½	Braithwaite	123	..	11.7	9.5	6.9
152	44½	Brammer H.	146	..	6.4	4.4	9.5
59	38	Bremner	59	..	5.8	9.8	14.9
196	70⅝	Brent Chem Int.	196	+2	4.7	2.4	16.8
65	25	Brent Walker	65	..	1.9	2.9	27.0
53	22	Brickhouse Dud	51	..	3.6	7.0	7.5
172	90	Bridon	101	..	9.3	9.2	10.0
41½	27½	Bright J. Grp	30½	..	3.7	12.0	10.4
49	29	Brit Car Auctn	43	−1	3.8b	8.7	10.6
246	137	Brit Home Strs	200	−3	9.5	4.8	16.2
66	32	Brit Printing	53	+1	4.8	9.1	4.8
99	50	Brit Stm Spec	99	..	7.8	7.9	8.6
127	68½	Brit Sugar	127	+4	7.2b	5.7	3.0
70⅝	30½	Brit Syphon Ind	62½	..	4.6	7.3	4.5
61	30½	Brit Tar Prod	61	● ..	2.1	3.4	11.2
100	38⅝	Brit Vita	93	+1	2.7	2.7	4.3
30	13½	Brittains	25	..	2.3	9.1	6.5
71½	44	Brockhouse Ltd	69	..	5.8	8.4	6.8
86	42	Brocks Grp	72	..	5.2	7.3	18.0
718	385	*Broken Hill*	705	+10	19.5	2.8	70.5
40	36	Bronx Eng	29	..	2.4	8.2	4.3
77	35	Brook St Bur	77	+6	6.4	8.3	15.6
56	35	Brooke Bond	50	+½	4.3	8.6	4.1
38	17	*Brooke Tool*	38	..	3.8b	9.9	8.0
188	49	Brotherhood P.	132	● +8	9.6n	7.3	9.4
195	23	Brown & J'kson	195	+5	1.5	0.8	17.2
112	74	Brown & Tawse	112	+2	7.3	6.5	6.5
60	22	BBK	54	+1	3.3	6.2	6.8
27	12	Brown Bros Cp	24½	..	1.6	6.6	14.1
430	95	*Brown J.*	430	+2	13.2n	3.1	4.5
124	58	Bruntons	105	.	10.6b	10.1	9.3
58	17	*Bryant Hldgs*	49	+1	3.6	7.3	10.3
171	61⅝	Bullough Ltd	171	● +4	9.3	5.5	7.1
64	28	Bulmer & Lumb	63	..	4.7	7.5	5.2
120	57	Bunzl Pulp	104	..	7.4	7.1	4.6
81	35	Burco Dean	79	..	6.2	7.8	7.9
52	22	Burgess Prod	46	+1	3.5	7.7	7.1
203	64	Burnett H'shire	203	..	4.3	2.1	5.3
203	63	Do A NV	202	..	4.3	2.1	5.3
40	16	Burns And'son	40	.	2.3	5.7	3.8
17⅝	9	*Burrell & Co*	12½	..	1.4	11.2	29.9
186	130	Burt Boulton	175	● ..	15.2	8.7	6.2
156	51	Burton Grp	156	+2	2.3	1.5	..
144	30	Do A	144	+3	2.3	1.6	..
77	30	Butterfld-Harvy	77	● +3	4.9	6.4	5.9

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60½	38½	Cadbury Sch	59	+1	4.6	7.8	7.6
131	70	Caffyns	110	..	9.7	8.8	7.1
62	48	C'bread Robey	62	..	2.5	4.0	16.4
134	30	*Campari*	133	..	3.0	2.3	6.8
124	64	Do B	124	..	..	..	..
82	45½	Camrex Hldgs	68	−1	5.0	7.4	5.7
67	36	Canning W.	66	+1	6.0	9.0	6.0
136	97	*Cape Ind*	130	−3	12.4	9.6	3.4
110	37	Caplan Profile	110	..	7.3	6.6	7.1
90	33⅝	Capper Neill	84	−1	3.2	3.8	4.2
95	33	Caravans Int	77	..	7.3	9.5	2.0
73	35	*Carclo Eng*	72	● ..	4.5	6.3	5.8
51	29	Carless Capel	34	..	1.4	4.1	9.5
218	59	Carlton Ind	218	h ..	8.3	3.8	8.6
76	30	Carpets Int	60	..	..	..	15.3
48	19½	*Carr J. (Don)*	48	..	1.4	3.0	7.4
43½	22½	Carr'ton Vly	37	..	3.2	8.6	4.7
110	63⅝	Carroll P. J.	105	..	9.7	9.3	8.0
48	28	Casket S Hldgs	42	..	3.3	8.0	5.7
25	7	Causton Sir J.	16½	..	..e	..	4.1
166	88	Cawoods	146	+2	5.8	4.0	9.7
36½	13	Celestion	32	..	1.1	3.6	6.3
93	32⅝	Cement Rdstone	93	+4	4.5	4.8	9.0
72½	25	*Cen & Sheer*	69½	−1	3.6	5.1	10.2
60	35⅝	Central Man	60	.	4.6	7.6	4.0
263	68⅝	Centreway Ltd	260	+2	18.4	7.1	8.4
67	34	Ch'mbn & Hill	57	..	4.1	7.2	4.0
58½	27½	*Chamberl'n Grp*	49	..	4.2	8.5	5.4
33	8½	Change Wares	22	..	0.6	2.7	13.4
34½	17	Do Cnv Cum	23	..	1.8	7.9	..
129	91	Chloride Grp	121	+2	7.8	6.4	11.5
120	57	*Christies Int*	119	..	5.0	4.2	10.4
65	27	Christy Bros	65	+2	4.2	7.6	3.3
146	93	Chubb & Sons	137	..	5.9	4.3	8.1
198	57	Church & Co	167	..	5.1	3.1	6.7
79	45	*Coalite & Chem*	70	..	4.2	6.0	5.0
79	50	Coates Bros	73	−1	3.5	4.7	7.3
77	45	Do A	74	−1	3.5	4.8	7.2
84	57	Coats Patons	71	−½	4.9	7.0	4.8
130	45	*Cole R. H.*	120	+1	5.6	4.7	6.1
68	33	Collett D'son	68	..	5.0	7.3	4.7
186	99	Collins W.	130	..	7.0	5.4	8.1
186	99	Do A	128	..	7.0	5.5	8.0
38	24	*Comben Grp*	34	−1	2.6	7.6	11.5
120	50	Comb Eng Strs	116	−1	4.0	4.2	19.2
140	30	Comet Radiov'n	140	+2	3.9	2.8	12.7
114	64	CompAir	98	● +2	5.7	6.0	7.6
45	20	Compton Webb	45	+6	2.8	6.3	12.8
34	16	Cook W.	34	..	2.6	7.6	7.5
66	37	Cope Allman	66	..	5.2	7.9	6.7
17	9	Copson F.	16	..	1.1	7.1	8.1
40	16½	Corah	40	+½	2.8	7.0	3.3
144	54½	Coral Leisure	97	+1	3.1n	3.4	3.7
35	14⅝	CH Industrials	35	● +1	3.0	8.7	5.9
73	33	Cornercroft	65	●h ..	6.3b	9.7	13.7
66	22⅝	Cosalt	66	+1	3.4	5.2	6.0
221⅝	69⅝	Costain R.	207	+4	3.9	1.9	6.9
48	9	*Countryside*	48	● ..	3.5	7.4	16.7
123	73	Courts (Furn)	122	−1	5.3	4.3	7.5
123	73	Do A NV	123	..	5.3	4.3	7.5
135	90	Courtaulds	124	+2	11.4	9.2	11.1
72	30	*Courtney Pope*	60	..	3.6	6.0	8.6
78	30⅝	C'wan de Groot	73	+1	3.5	4.7	4.4
45	23	Cowie T.	45	+1½	2.7	6.0	4.0
44	15	Crellon Hldgs	18	..	..e	..	..
80	28	Crest Nicholson	85	..	5.6	6.5	10.0
72	42	Croda Int	56	● +1	3.3	5.9	6.7
43	25	Cronite Grp	43	● +2	3.7	8.7	14.4
70	23	Cropper J.	70	+3	2.3	3.2	3.5
169	94	Crosby Hse	161	..	..e	..	..
108	45	Crossley Bldg	105	●h ..	6.3	6.0	14.8
98	46	Crouch D.	97	+1	6.0	6.2	8.3
73½	25	Crouch Grp	70	..	4.2	5.8	12.3
61	32⅞	Crown House	57	● ..	5.6	10.1	6.5
45	26	Crowther J.	35	..	1.0	2.8	..
147	83	Cum'ns En Cv	£95	..	375	3.9	..
168	63½	Dale Electric	168	..	4.1	2.5	16.8
23⅝	14	Dana Corp	£22⅝	+1	69.0	3.0	..
30	9⅝	Dartmouth Inv	19½	..	1.9	9.7	4.2
140	70⅝	Davies & New	129	..	11.1	8.6	19.6
96½	29	Davis G.	98½	+1	5.0	5.1	4.4
298	150	Davy Int	277	+5	16.6	6.0	8.0
650	350	De Beers Ind	650	+50	44.6	6.9	12.2
35	21	Deanson Hldgs	35	..	3.2	9.1	7.8
118	64⅝	Debenhams	94	..	8.0	8.5	9.0
422	138½	De La Rue	422	+10	15.2	3.6	7.8
580	233	Decca	450	+5	16.6	3.7	12.9
555	223	Do A	440	+5	16.6	3.8	12.6
81	49	Delta Metal	78	+1	7.8	10.0	9.3
100	66	Denbyware	100	+2	8.2	8.2	11.6
178	82	De Vere Hotels	165	..	7.1	4.3	23.9
72	20⅝	Dewhirst I. J.	72	..	2.0	2.8	7.8
25	11	Dewhurst Dent	17½	..	..	..	6.7
143	69	DRG	132	+6	10.6	8.0	10.4
199	57	Diploma Inv	195	−1	5.6	2.9	12.0
80	28	Dixon D	78	−2	3.8	4.5	34.7
178	63	Dixons Photo	142	−2	3.7	2.6	6.9
64	20	*Dixor*	59	..	0.9b	1.5	57.3
112	40⅝	Dobson Park	110	+1	6.1	5.5	8.9
84	41	Dom Hldgs	81	..	7.0	8.7	11.7
81	40	Dorada Hldgs	80	..	6.9	8.7	6.7
105	43⅝	Douglas R. M.	96	..	4.8	5.0	6.7
29½	17	Dow'd & Mills	27	..	1.7	6.3	12.4
280	105	Downing G. H.	240	+2	17.3	7.2	3.6
242	93	Dowty Grp	241	−1	6.8	2.8	12.7
30	12½	Drake & Scull	29½	● ..	1.5	5.2	4.5
35	14	Dreamland Elec	34	..	1.9	5.7	6.3
38⅝	27½	Dufay	34	−1	2.1	6.3	12.6
123	72	Dunlop Hldgs	74	+2	8.0	10.9	5.5
18	5½	Duple Int	18	..	1.0b	5.6	7.1
87½	57½	Duport	71	..	6.8	9.6	4.8
142	41	Durapipe Int	142	+2	6.2	4.4	8.6
51½	26	Dutton For	49	+1	4.3	8.7	3.7
37	21	Dykes J. Hldgs	28½	..	..	..	..
253	129	E.M.I.	150	+1	14.0	9.3	5.6
126	22⅝	ERF Hldgs	119	+4	4.2	3.5	2.6
57	35	E Lancs Paper	57	+2	5.0	8.8	6.1
109	22	Eastern Prod	99	..	6.6	6.7	2.7
160	56	*Eastwood J. B.*	146	h −2	5.9	4.0	7.6
203	105	Edbro	205	.	9.6	4.7	6.3
47	19	Eleco Hldgs	47	+1	2.9	6.2	12.8
54	32	EIS	54	.	4.5	8.4	5.9
518	89	*Electrocomps*	517	−1	7.5	1.4	67.6
26½	16	Electronic Mach	24	..	..	..	..
139	48	Electr'nic Rent	139	−3	7.6	5.5	8.4
136	55½	Elliott B.	135	..	8.1	6.0	4.7
99	68	*Ellis & Everard*	95	..	7.6	8.0	17.5
27	14⅝	Ellis & Gold	27	+½	2.9	10.7	11.5
102	37	Elson & Robbins	93	..	5.0	5.3	7.3
21⅝	10	Elswick Hopper	18	..	1.5	8.3	5.4
202	82½	Empire *Stores*	175	+3	7.3	4.1	14.1
17⅝	4⅝	Energy Serv	17⅝	..	0.5	2.6	15.1
36	22	England J. E.	28	..	2.2	7.7	6.1
34	23	English & O'seas	29	..	0.9	3.0	16.2
108	50	English Card Cl	87	+1	4.5	5.2	4.7
109	69⅝	Eng China Clay	79	..	6.0	7.6	5.7
98	61	Erith & Co	98	..	8.3	8.4	12.3
220	122	Esperanza	135	..	8.0	5.9	5.0
78	42	Eucalyptus Pulp	58	● +1	6.4	11.1	2.5
141	54	Euro Ferries	140	−1	4.2	3.0	6.7
107	53	Eva Industries	102	+1	7.3	7.1	4.3
47½	21	Evode Hldgs	41	..	1.7	4.2	6.6
43	14½	Ewer G.	42½	+½	2.6b	6.0	11.3
19½	7⅝	Excalibur	17	..	0.8	4.5	6.7
117	65	Exch Telegraph	116	..	8.2	7.1	10.2
77⅝	55	Expand Metal	71½	..	5.6	7.8	8.2

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115	52	FMC	66	..	6.1	9.2	5.3
26	7	FPA Cons	16½	−½	..	..	8.5
67	25⅝	Fairbairn L'sn	67	+3	7.6	11.3	6.0
78	37⅝	Fairclough Cons	72	..	5.3	7.4	6.4
118	39	Fairview Est	118	..	8.9	7.6	7.1
129	109	Farmer S.W.	129	..	7.7	5.9	7.2
348	81	Farnell Elect	335	+6	10.0	3.0	13.9
47	13	*Fed Lnd & Build*	44½	..	3.5	7.8	11.9
36	23	Feedex Ltd	32	..	2.1	6.5	6.8
156	111	Fenner J. H.	154	+1	10.5	6.8	10.6
128	43	Ferguson Ind	127	..	9.1	7.2	8.3
60	19½	Fine Art Dev	60	+½	2.8	4.6	12.5
390	150	Finlay J.	355	..	22.7b	6.4	5.6
400	283	Fisons	375	+2	19.3	5.2	7.6
73	46	Fitch Lovell	64	..	6.2	9.7	12.3
85	43⅝	Fluidrive Eng	83½	●+½	5.2	6.2	8.9
68	20	Fodens	62	● ..	5.1	8.2	2.3
147	36	Fogarty E.	143	−4	3.9	2.7	5.6
29	13½	*Fokker Help NV*	29½	..	2.1	7.3	5.0
31	16	Ford M.	31	..	3.1	9.8	11.0
239	130	Ford Mtr BDR	177	+5	8.3	4.7	18.7
165	49⅝	Forminster	148	..	7.9	5.4	7.6
212	121	Foseco Min	183	+3	6.9	3.8	12.4
145	39	Foster Bros	145	..	4.3	3.0	13.8
37	15	Foster J.	37	..	3.8	10.2	5.4
104	68	Fothergill & H	101	..	9.4	9.3	8.3
48	38	Francis G. R.	40	..	5.4	13.4	7.2
74	28	Francis Ind	74	..	5.1	6.9	4.2
364	127	Freemans Ldn	364	+12	9.0	2.5	19.3
70	40	French T.	63	..	4.2	6.7	4.6
37	14	French Kier	37	..	2.7	7.2	6.5
102	53	Friedland Doggt	102	..	4.7	4.6	7.3
99	46	GEI Int	99	+1	6.3	6.4	6.5
67	32½	Gallifd Brindley	60	+2½	5.1	8.5	6.5
16	7½	Garford Lilley	14½	..	1.1	7.4	5.7
104	87	*Garnar Scotblair*	98	..	6.8	7.0	4.7
282	183	GEC	281	+2	6.6	2.4	9.9
104½	96½	Do F Rate	£99⅝	..	1106	11.1	..
27	12	Gen Eng (Rad)	15½	+1½	..	..	..
330	185	Gen Mtr BDR	245	+8	11.0	4.5	23.8
204	124	Gestetner 'A'	170	● +1	6.3	3.7	8.0
88	32⅝	Gibbons Dudley	88	+1	3.9	4.3	4.3
106	35	Gieves Grp	97	..	6.8	7.0	6.5
185	80⅝	Gill & Duffus	154	..	6.6	4.3	9.4
65	23	Giltspur Ltd	62	+1	4.4	7.1	6.4
80	36	Glass & Metal	80	..	4.2	5.3	5.7
27	13	Glass Glover	25	..	1.9	7.6	6.9
667	400	Glaxo Hldgs	597	+2	16.2	2.7	12.0
54	18	*Gleeson M. J.*	39	..	2.9	7.4	8.0
68	34	Glossop & W.J.	66	−1	5.7	8.6	6.9
120	78	Glynwed	104½	+1½	12.4	11.9	11.0
74	39	Goldbg & Sons	74	..	6.2	8.4	12.6
87	41	Gomme Hldgs	71	−1	5.1	7.2	9.4
95	60	Gordon & Gotch	80	..	8.0	10.0	6.7
26	11	Gordon L. Grp	26	..	..	..	21.8
61	47	Grampian Hldgs	60	..	6.1	10.1	13.3
109	42⅝	Granada 'A'	109	+1	3.1	2.9	11.9
118	63½	Grand Met Ltd	118	+1	6.7	5.6	9.8
108	77	Gratton W'hse	126	..	8.4	6.7	9.8
348	183	Gt Univ Stores	316	+2	12.5	4.0	12.5
346	175	Do A	312	+2	12.5	4.0	12.3
53	17⅝	*Greenfield Mill*	50½	−½	2.7	5.4	8.6
55	38	Gripperrods	46	..	3.6	7.8	5.1
368	248	GKN	266	−1	22.6	8.2	8.4
120	40	HTV Grp	118	−3	15.2	12.8	8.5
109	71	Haden Carrier	102	−1	11.8	11.6	13.5
116	55	Haggas J.	109	+1	1.0n	0.9	8.0
110	62½	Hall Eng	110	..	6.7	6.1	6.1
232	98½	Hall M.	232	+1	10.7	4.6	9.7
86	34	Halma Ltd	86	+1	3.8	4.4	7.3
104	68	*Hamimex Corp*	87	−1	4.4	5.4	4.5
161	100	Hanson Trust	141	..	10.0	7.1	6.5
51	26	Hardy Furn	32	..	0.3	0.9	..
43	23	Do A	32	..	0.3	0.9	..
61	38	Hargreaves Grp	59	−1	4.9	8.3	9.3
69	34½	Harris Sheldon	51	..	4.5	8.8	8.6
123	45	Harrison T.C.	108	..	6.2	5.7	6.9
550	278⅝	Harrison Cros	525	..	33.0n	6.3	10.6
104	52	Hartwells Grp	101	..	10.3	10.0	3.1
236	113	*Hawker Sidd*	236	..	6.2	2.6	9.9
76	43	Hawkins & T'son	71	..	6.1	8.5	4.6
78	24	Hawthorn L.	64	..	..	..	..
189	57	Hays Wharf	143	−1	7.7	5.4	14.8
54	17⅝	Headlam Sims	54	+1	2.6	4.8	4.4
23½	8½	Helene of Ldn	23½	..	1.0	4.3	5.5
41	20	Helical Bar	40	..	..e	..	23.8
83⅝	32½	Hend'son Kent	82	● ..	3.7	4.5	9.3
137½	84½	Henlys	124	..	13.0b	10.5	5.0
100	39½	Hepworth Cer	92½	−½	5.0	5.4	7.4
71	29⅝	Hepworth J.	71	+1	3.6	5.1	11.4
11½	6½	Herman Smith	10½	..	..e	..	..
131⅝	72	Hestair	102	..	9.5	9.3	4.0
63½	14⅝	*Hewden-Stuart*	63½	● ..	1.6	2.5	8.0
22½	11	Hewitt J.	22	..	1.6	7.1	5.0
107	63	Hicking P'cost	107	+1	10.9	10.2	5.5
222	98⅝	Hickson Welch	205	● +7	5.4	2.6	5.5
97	38	Higgs & Hill	88	..	5.2	5.9	4.9
83	27⅝	Hill & Smith	81	+2	3.1	3.9	5.0
150	76	Hill C. Bristol	116	..	11.0	9.3	36.7
300	71	Hillards	212	−2	7.5	3.5	6.2
98	66	Hoffnung S.	97	−1	6.4	6.6	7.1
72	35	Hollas Grp	72	+1	6.9	9.6	6.0
74	34	Hollis Bros	66	● ..	6.8	10.3	7.6
156	70	Holt Lloyd	156	+1	10.6	6.8	11.3
177	60	Home Charm	176	..	5.5	3.1	12.0
410	195	Hoover	290	−2	22.5	7.7	11.2
412	195	Do A	290	−2	22.5	7.7	11.2
111	55	Hopkinsons	109	..	7.7	7.0	6.2
107	37	Horizon Mid	106	..	8.6	8.1	10.8
157	71	*Hse of Fraser*	156	+3	7.3	4.6	12.5
84	25	Hoveringham	84	..	2.9	3.4	10.4
80	21½	Do RV	80	..	3.2	3.9	10.0
32	11⅝	Howard & Wynd	28	−1	0.5	1.8	18.9
24½	10½	*Do A*	29	..	0.5	2.2	13.1
52	23	Howard Mach	25	..	1.8	7.1	17.5
33⅝	17	Howard Tenens	33	..	2.6	7.9	..
24½	8	Finlay Pack	22	..	0.9	4.1	8.1
51½	10	First Castle	37	..	3.0	8.1	10.3
79	39	Howden Grp	76½	−2½	6.2	8.1	6.0
16⁹⁄₁₆	9⅝	Hudsons Bay	£15⅝	..	31.2	2.0	15.6
30	16	Hunt Moscrop	25½	..	1.1	4.2	7.5
238	76	Hunting Assoc	235	−11	4.5	1.9	8.4
134	63	Huntleigh Grp	133	−1	3.6	2.7	8.1
118	47	Hutch Whamp	106½	+1½	..	..	..

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1977/78 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
364	150	ICL	364	+4	11.6	3.2	8.7
118	75	IDC Grp	113	..	13.6	12.0	21.2
69	46	IMI	61	..	5.0	8.2	7.4
190	74	Ibstock Johns'n	188	−3	9.3	5.0	7.0
445	329½	Imp Chem Ind	385	+5	24.0	6.3	8.7
127	73	Imp Cold Store	127	+4	8.3	6.5	5.0
89½	65	Imperial Grp	82½	+½	8.6	10.3	6.1
29	17	Ingall Ind	26	..	2.8	10.9	9.6
40	26	Ingram H.	27	..	..	..	36.5
94	46	Initial Services	92	..	6.9	7.5	7.0
76	41⅝	*Int Paint*	73	..	3.5	4.8	3.9
141	70	Int Timber	141	..	10.7	7.6	8.9
82	47	Intereek Grp	66½	● ..	7.4	11.2	7.7
9¹³⁄₁₆	6⁹⁄₁₆	Iton BDR	£9⁹⁄₁₆	..	8.6	0.9	..
75	37	Jacksons B'End	72	● ..	3.0	4.2	9.8
14½	5½	James M Ind	13⅝	+½	1.5	11.5	7.0
355	149	Jardine M'son	275	−3	6.5	2.4	
197	98	Jarvis J.	170	..	14.5	8.5	9.0
46	16	Jessups Hldgs	40½	..	2.6	6.5	6.0
69	43⅝	Johnson & F B	65	..	7.1	10.9	4.5
107	37	Johnson Grp	94	..	5.9	6.2	6.9
492	307	Johnson Matt	460	−2	20.6	4.5	8.9
134	36	Johnson-Richd	97	● ..	2.7	2.8	6.5
90	42⅝	Jones Stroud	87	−1	7.1	8.1	4.2
44	21	Jourdan T.	43	..	4.4	10.2	4.8
73	27	K Shoes	72	..	3.8	5.2	6.5
32½	19½	Kalamazoo	30½	..	3.1	10.1	7.0
135	36	Kelsey Ind	99	−1	4.9	4.9	4.6
84	49½	Kenning Mtr	76	−3	6.9	9.1	5.7
44	21	Kent M. P.	40	−1	3.2	8.0	10.9
80	13	Kitchen Taylor	77	+2	1.5	2.0	7.7
146	52⅝	Kode Int	140	..	7.1	5.1	7.6
59½	13⅝	Kwik-Fit Hldgs	52	−½	1.3	2.4	13.9
137⅝	69⅝	Kwik Save Disc	55	.	3.9	4.6	12.9
93	63	LCP Hldgs	91	r −1	8.3	9.2	6.4
46	29½	LRC Int	39	−½	4.4	11.4	9.9
135	80	LWT Hldgs 'A'	129	.	10.5	8.2	7.7
216	88	Ladbroke	165	+3	11.7	7.1	6.2
64	25⅝	Ladies Pride	60		4.4	7.3	7.5
200	70	Laing J.	200	+6	4.7	2.4	9.3
199	69	Do A	199	+6	4.7	2.4	9.3
93	40	Laird Grp Ltd	92½	..	4.1	4.4	6.9
65	43	Lake & Elliot	52	..	5.3	10.2	11.7
43	31	Lambert H'wth	41	..	1.6	11.7	5.3
78	28	Lane P. Grp	51	..	5.0	9.2	3.7
131	83⅝	Laporte Ind	117	.	10.3	8.9	12.0
140	84	*Latham J*	137	● +2	11.4	8.3	8.6
156	45	Laurence Scott	105	−3	7.6	7.0	5.5
106	53	Lawrence W.	[illegible]	..	9.9	10.5	7.0
66	24	Lawtex	60	..	1.8	3.0	4.2
177	125	Lead Industries	147	..	11.2	7.6	6.0
62	36	Le-Bas E.	41	..	2.9	6.7	.
25	15⅝	Lee A.	21½	.	2.3	10.5	4.7
128	22	Lee Cooper	[illegible]	[illegible]	3.8	2.8	4.3
172	60⅝	Leigh Int	170	−2	6.6b	3.9	20.0
135	60⅝	*Leisure C'van*	[illegible]	● .	9.5	8.1	13.1
43	37	Lennons Grp	34	.	2.5	7.4	6.7
283	113	Lep Grp	[illegible]	[illegible]	5.2	2.2	6.9
82	57	Lesney Ord	[illegible]	.	4.4	5.7	5.5
167	70	Letraset	143	[illegible]	5.2	3.7	9.9
87½	38½	Lex Services	77½	−½	5.3	6.0	5.5
165⅝	31⅝	Liberty Ord	160	−2	4.4	2.7	6.9
58	33	Lilley F. J. C.	57	[illegible]	3.3	5.3	6.5
61	30	Lincroft Kilg	54	[illegible]	5.8	10.7	5.0
151	56	Lindustries	147	[illegible]	13.6	9.3	6.2
197½	100	Linfood Hldgs	156	.	14.2	9.1	[illegible]
38	19	Linread	36	..	3.4	9.3	..
46	22	Lister & Co	45	−½	0.2e	0.3	..
79	64	Lloyd F. H.	72	−1	[illegible]	11.2	[illegible]
20⅝	9	Locker T.	20⅝	−⅛	1.3	6.4	5.0
19⅝	8⅝	Do A	19½	..	1.3	7.1	[illegible]
118	58	Lockwoods Fds	105	..	[illegible]	6.3	[illegible]
92	44	Ldn & M'land	92	+1	7.3	7.9	6.0
43½	23	Ldn & N'thern	32½	−½	3.0	9.3	6.7
85	30	Ldn Brick Co	73½	+1½	4.9	6.7	5.7
217	94	Ldn Prov Post	193	..	[illegible]	8.0	9.9
73	31	Longton Trans	65	.	[illegible]	6.2	3.5
87	56	*Lonrho*	59	+1	[illegible]	16.5	[illegible]
92	39	Lonsdale Univ	87	..	[illegible]	8.8	6.1
67	29	Lookers	62	..	[illegible]	6.2	[illegible]
91	44	Lovell Hldgs	91	+1	[illegible]	5.5	4.3
178	120	Low & *Bonar*	174	−1	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
337	204	Lucas Ind	324	−1	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
128	47	Lyons J. Ord	95	−1	[illegible]	[illegible]	..

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1977/78 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
115	10½	MFI Furn	[illegible]	..	[illegible]	[illegible]	28.2
214	87	MK Electric	203	−4	[illegible]	4.5	6.3
155	48	ML Hldgs	155	.	6.1	4.2	13.3
79	37	MY Dart	65	−1	3.6	5.6	[illegible]
19	10	McCleery L'Amie	15	..	0.3	2.1	
48	28	*Mackay H*	43	.	4.5	10.8	[illegible]
94	60⅝	McKechnie Bros	91	+2	7.5	8.7	5.1
52½	12½	Mackinnon (Scot)	46	−2	2.5	5.4	6.0
60	31	McNeill Grp	36	.	.	.	.
79½	37	Macpherson D.	74	● ..	4.5	6.0	7.4
217	113	Magnet & Sthns	206	.	13.5	6.6	7.3
55½	29	Mallinson Denny	54	+1	4.2	7.9	6.9
90	50	Man Agcy Music	90	+7	8.6	9.5	6.9
36½	15	Manch Garages	34	.	1.5	4.4	4.5
247	177	Man Ship Canal	227	..	23.6	10.4	22.5
100	14	Mang Bronze	80	..	2.9	3.6	3.5
53	27	Manordale Grp	48	.	6.2	13.0	4.6
21½	5½	Maple Hldgs	21½	−½	..e	..	..
144	136	Marchwiel	142	● ..	7.6	5.3	.
170	95	Marks & Spencer	166	+1	6.4	3.9	16.1
99	46	Marley Ltd	83	..	3.9	4.5	7.3
28	9⅝	Marling Ind	27	● ..	1.7	6.3	6.2
58½	32	Marshall Cav	51	..	6.6	12.9	[illegible]
50	27	Marshall T Lox	49	..	3.8	7.7	[illegible]
48½	26	Do A	45	..	3.5	7.9	[illegible]
170	95	Marshalls Univ	170	+3	9.7	5.7	5.6
97	45	Martin-Black	14½	−½	5.1	11.1	
260	99½	Martin-News	259	.	11.0	4.3	5.5
190	91	Martonair	190	+8	8.3	4.4	12.9
95	48	May & Hassell	69	● −1	4.6	6.7	19.9
136	60	Maynards	126	..	7.5	6.0	7.9
31	13	*Mears Bros*	16	..	.	.	66.7
26	10½	Medminster	22	..	2.9	12.6	12.1
93	30	Melody Mills	93	..	4.4	4.7	6.6
17	9	Mentmore Mfg	16½	..	1.4	8.4	14.2
170	38	Menzies J.	170	+2	3.6	2.1	9.1
363	246	Metal Box	350	+4	22.7	6.5	5.6
105	68	Metal Closures	106	..	6.4	6.1	9.9
48	12⅝	Metalrax	46	−1	1.6	3.4	5.9
66	28	Metoy	65	−3	3.2	5.0	4.6
93	44	Meyer M. L.	93	● +3	7.1	7.6	7.4
44	19½	Midland Ind	42	+1	1.6	3.7	6.2
56½	17⅝	Milbury	47	● ..	3.6	7.7	3.5
195	35	Mills & Allen	123	..	3.0	1.6	..
93	28	*Mining Supplies*	84	..	1.9	2.3	21.4
49	36½	Mit Cotts Grp	42	..	5.2	12.3	5.9
69	24½	Mitchell Somers	62	● −1	4.5	7.7	4.9
74	43	Mixconcrete	74	..	4.9	6.5	17.9
40	22⅝	Modern Eng	37	..	4.1	11.0	8.0
136	97	Molins	136	+1	10.9	8.0	10.7
102	29⅝	Monk A.	83	..	5.3	6.4	2.9
50½	33	M'santo 5% Ln	£44	..	500	11.4	..
59½	40	Do 6⅝ Ln	£52	..	625	12.0	..
220	98	Do 5% Cnv	£125	+4	500	4.0	..
73	35	Montfort Knit	67	..	5.3	7.9	8.4
90½	21	More O'Ferrall	77	−1	4.6	5.9	9.2
137	86	Morgan Cruc	121	−2	8.0	6.6	8.6
63	24	*Morgan Edwds*	56	..	..e	..	..
55	24	Morrall Abel	47	..	3.6	7.7	5.0
72	38	Morris & Blakey	72	..	6.2	8.7	8.5
70	33	Do A	68	..	6.2	9.2	8.0
126	38⅝	*Moss Bros*	126	..	4.9	3.9	20.5
73	46	Moss Eng	67	..	6.3	9.4	7.1
210	101	Mothercare	162	−6	4.5	2.8	18.9
15	8	Movitex	12	.	..	..	.
144	48	Mowlem J.	126	+2	9.9	7.8	6.7
300	127⅝	Muirhead	178	..	7.6	4.3	13.6
72	39	Myson Grp	66	..	1.5	2.3	69.5
115	42⅝	NSS News	115	..	3.1	2.7	10.4
52	27	Nathan B. & I.	49	..	5.0	10.2	5.4
67	38	Nat Carbon	41	−2	..e	..	..
39	12	Needlers	34	.	2.3	6.7	5.7
47½	30½	Neepsend	47½	+½	4.9	10.3	12.4
90	37	Negretti & Zam	89	..	5.0	5.6	8.1
104	69	*Neill J.*	104	..	9.7b	9.3	5.0
187	45	Newarthill	152	..	7.3	4.8	4.7
92½	33½	Newman Ind	82½	+1½	7.6	9.2	3.3
72	33	Newman Tonks	61	..	6.1	10.1	7.8
198	88	Newmark L.	180	..	9.9n	5.5	5.7
99	51	Norcros	99	−1½	6.7	6.8	6.8
44	11	Norfolk C Grp	36	..	0.5b	1.5	15.0
49	26	Normand Elec	44	..	4.2	9.7	6.2
118	54	NEI	110	−½	9.1	8.3	6.7
102	45⅝	Nthn Foods	102	+2	5.7b	5.6	12.1
205	44	Norton & Wright	172	+3	6.0	3.5	16.0
49½	12½	Norton W. E.	46	h ..	2.5	5.4	6.2
107	52	Norwest Holst	98	..	7.0	7.1	4.4
131	60	Notts Mfg	131	+1	4.5	3.5	7.7
122	45½	Nurdin & Peacock	85	−2	2.8	3.3	9.1
26	17½	Nu-Swift Ind	26	..	2.4	9.1	12.3

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1977/78 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
107	68	Ocean Wilsons	89	[illegible]	4.4	4.9	8.0
118	53	Office & Elect	116	[illegible]	6.2	5.3	7.6
99	50	Ofrex Grp	96	[illegible]	4.6	4.8	8.7
46⅞	23⅝	Ogilvy & M	£42⅝	[illegible]	108	2.5	13.9
102	43	Owen Owen	101	[illegible]	4.3	4.3	9.5
69½	7	Oxley Printing	63	[illegible]	3.8	6.0	2.7
134½	56½	Parker Knoll 'A'	120	[illegible]	5.0	4.2	4.7
115	60	Parker Timber	110	[illegible]	8.3	7.5	4.9
53	14	Paterson R.	53	● [illegible]	3.5	6.5	8.1
230	126⅝	Paterson Zoch	182	[illegible]	11.7b	6.4	3.4
225	117⅝	Do A NV	180	[illegible]	11.7b	6.5	3.4
135	62½	Pauls & Whites	123	[illegible]	6.5	5.3	7.3
259	103	Pearson Long	259	h [illegible]	9.1	3.5	10.7
237	133	Pearson & Son	236	[illegible]	12.5	5.3	9.9
37½	24½	Do 4% Ln	£33	[illegible]	400	12.1	.
206	148	Pegler-Hatt	166	[illegible]	11.6	7.0	6.3
29½	6	Pentland Ind	23	[illegible]	1.0	4.3	5.2
98	42	Pentos	98	[illegible]	6.5	6.6	6.0
298	139	McCorquodale	280	..	[illegible]	8.4	7.9
49	15	McInerney Prop	38	..	3.0	8.0	10.5
67⅝	24½	*JB Hldgs*	63	..	1.6	2.6	6.2
29	12	Jacks W.	26	..	1.0	3.8	..

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M D. KNIGHT
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sense Triumph was superflu- Leyland's requirements, since everything it produced was d, more or less, by other com- the group. Jaguar and MG orts cars and Rover had one iration; Rover had a big irectly competing with the 2000; and the small Triumphs the same market as Austin is.

other hand, Triumph had a following for its sports cars em classic or old-fashioned, to taste—and for saloons ed to offer a little more in quality and performance. If had simply dropped the cars, there was no guarantee tional Triumph owners would ched to its other models.

time there was talk of turn- mph into the British BMW Austin Morris was cast, some- probably, as the British Another idea was to link with Rover and bring out a to replace the respective third possibility was to use as the prestige arm of the ar range, as Lancia is to Fiat o Volkswagen.

when British Leyland was Triumph offered no fewer models—the Herald/Vitesse, 0 range, TR6, GT6 and Spit- the Stag on the way. What ened since is a mixture of and patching but without idence of a coherent long- gy.

small saloons, the Herald was ed, the 1300 (a front-wheel- became the 1500 and a rear- re 1300 was launched as the hen the 1500 switched to rear- re; the Toledo was dropped; was extended upwards as ite, finally taking that name it and assuming a common

00 has gone, leaving the big ld to Rover. As for the sports TR7 has replaced the TR6, has gone, the Stag has come (killed by its unreliable V8 and the little Spitfire just

ationalization plan submitted der committee, Leyland pro- eventual slimming down to saloons and three sports former were to be a Jaguar, a Rover, a Triumph (replacing the Dolomite), an Allegro replacement and a Mini replacement. Jaguar, Triumph and MG would each provide one sports car, in Triumph's case the TR7.

The abandonment of the Ryder plan and the restructuring of Leyland under Mr Michael Edwardes has meant a considerably modified model policy. My impression is that rather than push ahead with new cars, the company is going to carry on largely with the existing ones. Certainly there seems little prospect of a Dolomite replacement before the 1980s.

With this last thought in mind I have been taking a fresh look, some five years after its introduction, at the Dolomite Sprint, that yellow-hued two-litre with the unusual 16-valve engine. At first glance it sums up all that is unsatisfactory and contradictory about the Leyland range.

To begin with, it is a very old design, the car itself going back to 1965 and the body style following that of the Triumph 2000 which appeared two years earlier. I am not trying to argue that age automatically disqualifies a car and there are many successful models that have run a lot longer than the Dolomite.

Indeed even now it is a not unpleasing shape, which accommodates four (at a pinch five) people within compact overall dimensions, and unusually for a car these days allows the driver to see all four corners when he is trying to park. The upright "bus driver" seats are not what you find in most contemporary cars, but they are eminently comfortable and assist visibility (both seat and steering wheel adjust for height, an excellent feature). Front quarter lights have also disappeared from the motoring scene, but they are a useful way of ventilating the car without setting up a gale.

The real indictment of the Dolomite is that it has been around too long. Cars like the VW Beetle and Citroen 2CV can get away with the same bodyshell for 30 years because they are successful eccentrics. The Triumph is not and it cries out for a new look. Ford's policy of changing bodyshells every five or six years may be overdoing things, but there is nothing like a new skin for freshening up a range and giving it a new impetus.

Engines, on the other hand, can run for years, though it pays to keep them under continuous development. The Sprint unit derives from the 1709 cc engine which Triumph sold to Saab for the first 99 models in the late 1960s. It was enlarged to 1854 cc for the original Dolomite and to two litres for the Sprint, with four valves per cylinder operated by a single camshaft and developing 127 bhp.

The engine is easily the most impressive part of the car, giving outstanding acceleration (0 to 60 mph in under nine seconds) and flexibility with reasonable fuel consumption (23 to 28 mpg) and quietish running. It surely deserves a more modern shape —and better suspension, for roadholding is a little suspect and the ride decidedly poor.

The Sprint has been described as an engine in search of a car. It was launched as a holding operation, with the clear hint from Leyland that a new model was on the way. I understand that the Dolomite replacement, a compact sporting saloon in the BMW/Alfa mould, was originally to have appeared in 1977 or early this year, but that plan has obviously been shelved.

So the Sprint must carry on as it is. It started five years ago with two basic advantages—it was quicker than most of the competition and it was a lot cheaper. The first still holds, but since June, 1973, the price has almost exactly trebled, to £5,078, and the Sprint costs roughly as much as more modern rivals like the BMW 320 (£5,549), Alfetta 2000 (£4,999) and Lancia Beta 2000ES (£4,680). And it makes the Ford Escort RS 2000, which offers similar performance with tauter handling, look like a bargain at £4,330.

Uprated Alfas

Bigger engines are announced today for the Alfa Romeo small car, the Alfasud. Both the two-door Ti model and the Sprint coupé benefit from a new 1,490cc unit with twin-choke carburettor which is said to improve acceleration, flexibility and fuel consumption, while the Ti also gets a new 1,350 engine. At the same time, there are minor styling and interior changes. The 1,286cc engine continues in the four-door saloon only and the original 1,186cc is dropped.

The 1.5-litre versions of the Ti and Sprint will be available from the middle of the month, at £3,500 and £4,300 respectively, and the Ti 1,300 will be here in mid-September, costing £3,350. The four-door Super continues at £3,100, all prices including number plates and delivery charges.

Jaguar milestone

Jaguar's Coventry factory has recently built its 50,000th V12 engine, which is almost certainly a world record. It beats the 40,000 V12s made by Ford in America for the Lincoln and since only two companies, Ferrari and Lamborghini, still make 12-cylinder engines for road cars, the Jaguar figure seems unlikely to be exceeded in future.

Jaguar decided to build the V12 in the early 1960s with an eye to export markets, particularly America where most cars then had eight-cylinder engines. The company was also considering a return to Le Mans racing and the first version of the V12 appeared in the XJ13 mid-engined competition car. The XJ13 never got further than the prototype stage, but the engine became the 5.3-litre which went into the E-Type in 1971, the XJ12 saloon the following year and the XJ-S in 1975.

The V12 has powered nearly a quarter of the Jaguar and Daimler cars made over the past seven years and has been widely acknowledged as one of the smoothest and quietest units made anywhere in the world. It is also one of the few giving 150 mph performance, irrelevant though this may be.

On the debit side, the engine is very heavy on fuel, giving just under 11 miles to the gallon in town driving. Whether or not it goes on to pass the 100,000 will largely depend on how serious governments become about energy conservation.

Peter Waymark

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A proper appreciation of one's surroundings depends on observing apparently trival or technical details and learning why they are so. As Landscapes of England showed, the camera and an inspired guide is the ideal way to learn. Alec Clifton-Taylor uses the same method in presenting six English towns, starating with Chichester.

Horizon offers the chance of some mental limbering-up with news (to many) that the Big Bang theory has been confirmed. Now what?—P.V.

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BBC 2

6.40 am, Open University: Television Technology; 7.05, Politics—France 1968; 7.30-7.55, Private Investment and the Third World. 11.00-11.25, Play School. 2.30 pm, Show Jumping from Hickstead. 4.20, Golf: Colgate European LPGA Championship. 4.55, Open University: Social Skills Therapy (1); 5.20, Enzyme Purification; 5.45, Ecosystem; 6.10, Conditioning and Learning; 6.35, Kinetics of a Gas Reaction.

7.00 News Headlines.
7.05 Children's Wardrobe.
7.30 News.
7.40 Six English Towns (new series), with Alec Clifton-Taylor: 1, Chichester.
8.10 Magoo.
8.15 Master Class: Gary Karr (double bass) with Harmon Lewis (piano).
9.00 Jazz from Montreux.
9.25 Horizon. A Whisper from Space: how and when the universe began.
10.15 Don't Forget to Write I, with George Cole, Gwen Watford.
11.05 Golf highlights.
11.45 News.
11.15-12.05 am, Reading.

ATV

9.30 am, Thames. 10.20, Friends of Man. 10.45, Roger Whittaker. 11.10, Conquest of the Sea. 12.00, Thames. 1.20, ATV News. 1.30, General Hospital (r). 2.25, Thames. 5.15, Those Wonderful TV Times. 5.45, News. 6.00, ATV Today. 6.35, Crossroads. 7.00, London. 8.00, The Incredible Hulk. 9.00, London. 11.30-12.30 am, Quincy.

Anglia

9.30 am, Thames. 10.20, Dynomutt (r). 10.40, Southern. 12.00, Thames. 1.25 pm, Anglia News. 1.30, Thames. 5.15, Stars on Ice. 5.45, News. 6.00, About Anglia. 6.35, ATV. 7.00, London. 8.00, ATV. 9.00, London. 10.30, Film: Not as a Stranger, with Olivia de Havilland, Robert Mitchum, Frank Sinatra. 1.00 am, Christians in Action.

Yorkshire

9.30 am, Thames. 10.20, Power Without Glory. 11.10, The White Stone. 11.35, Dynomutt. 12.00, Thames. 1.20 pm, Calendar News. 1.30, Houseparty. 2.00, Granada. 2.25, Thames. 5.15, Out of Town. 5.45, News. 6.00, Calendar. 6.35, ATV. 7.00, London. 7.30, Bless This House. 8.00, TV. 9.00, London. 11.30-12.00, The Protectors.

Tyne Tees

9.25 am, The Good Word. 9.30, Thames. 10.20, Tarzan. 11.05, Southern. 12.10 pm, Thames. 1.20, North East News. 1.30, Challenge of the Sexes. 2.00, Granada. 2.25, Thames. 5.15, Gambit. 5.45, News. 6.00, Northern Life. 6.35, ATV. 7.00, London. 7.30, Oh No, It's Selwyn Froggitt. 8.00, ATV. 9.00, London. 10.30, Film: The House That Dripped Blood, with Ingrid Pitt, Peter Cushing. 12.25 am, Epilogue.

Scottish

9.30 am, Thames. 10.20, Dynomutt. 10.40, Southern. 12.00, Thames. 1.25 pm, Road Report. 1.30, Houseparty. 2.00, Summer Afternoon (r). 2.25, Thames. 5.15, Cartoon. 5.20, Southern. 6.00, Scotland Today. 6.30, Laverne and Shirley. 7.00, London. 8.00, ATV. 9.00, London. 10.30, Late Call. 10.35-12.35, Film: The House That Dripped Blood, with Ingrid Pitt, Peter Cushing, Christopher Lee.

Thames

9.30 am, History Around You (r). 9.55, Plain Sailing (r). 10.20, Oscar. 10.30, Cartoon, Davey Crockett on the Mississippi (r). 11.20, Stationary Ark (r). 11.45, Felix the Cat. 12.00, A Handful of Songs. 12.10 pm, Rainbow (r). 12.30, Look Who's Talking. 1.00, News. 1.20, Platform. 1.30, Family. 2.25, Racing from Redcar. 4.15, Children of the Stones (r). 4.45, Runaround. 5.15, Cuckoo Waltz (r).

5.45 News.
6.00 After Noon in Action (r).
6.25 Cartoons.
6.35 Crossroads.

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LONDON WEEKEND

7.00 pm, The Krypton Factor.
7.30 Backs to the Land.
8.00 Hawaii Five-O.
9.00 The Foundation.
10.00 News.
10.30 M'Lords, Ladies and Gentlemen.
11.30 Police 5.
11.40 Law Centre.
12.40 am, Epilogue.

Ulster

9.30 am, Thames. 10.20, The Lost Islands. 10.40, Southern. 12.00, Thames. 1.20 pm, Lunchtime. 1.30, The Story of Wine. 2.00, Electric Theatre Show. 2.25, Thames. 5.15, The Flintstones. 5.45, News. 6.00, Ulster Television News. 6.05, Crossroads. 6.30, Reports. 6.50, Police Six. 7.00, London. 8.00, ATV. 9.00, London. 11.30-11.40 Bedtime.

Southern

9.30 am, Thames. 10.20, Rainbow Country. 10.40, Tell Me Why. 11.05, Magic Circle. 11.30, Rogue's Rock. 12.00, Thames. 1.20 pm, Southern News. 1.30, Those Wonderful TV Times. 2.00, Women Only. 2.25, Thames. 5.10, Weekend. 5.20, Crossroads. 5.45, News. 6.00, Lingfield Day by Day. 7.00, London. 8.00, ATV. 9.00, London. 10.30, Southern News. 10.35, Film: Crucible of Terror with Mike Raven. 12.20, Weather. Epilogue.

Granada

9.30 am, Thames. 10.25, Sesame Street. 11.20, Castaway. 11.45, Kathy's Quiz. 12.00, Thames. 1.20, This Is Your Right. 1.30, Gambit. 2.00, After Noon in Action. 2.25, Thames. 5.10, Captain Nemo. 5.15, Crossroads. 5.45, News. 6.00, Granada Reports. 6.30, Summer Sport. 7.00, London. 7.30, The Many Wives of Patrick. 8.00, ATV. 9.00, London. 11.30, McMillan and Wife. 1.10-1.30 am, Music with Richard Rodney Bennett.

Channel

1.15 pm, Channel News. 1.25, Beryl's Lot. 1.55, The Majesty of Henry Moore. 2.25, Thames. 5.15, Friends of Man. 5.45, News. 6.00, Channel News. 6.10, Valley of the Dinosaurs. 6.35, ATV. 7.00, London. 7.30, Survival. 8.00, ATV. 9.00, London. 10.32, Summer of '78. 11.00, McCloud. 12.40 am, News.

Radio

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5.00 am, News. Richard Vaughan.† 7.02, Dave Lee Travis. 9.00, Simon Bates. 11.00, Peter Powell. 12.30 pm, Newsbeat. 12.45, Paul Burnett. 2.00, Tony Blackburn. 4.31, Kid Jensen. 7.30, Sportsdesk. 7.33, Take Your Partners.† 8.02, Frank Chacksfield.† 8.45, Music Night.† 9.55, Sports Desk. 10.02, John Peel.† 12.00, News. 12.05 am, Edmonton 78. 2.00, News.

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5.00 am, News. 5.02, Richard Vaughan.† 7.32, Brian Matthew.† (8.27, Racing bulletin.) 10.02, Jimmy Young.† 12.15 pm, Waggoners' Walk. 12.30, Pete Murray.† 2.30, David Hamilton.† 4.30, Waggoners' Walk. 4.45, Sports Desk. 4.50, Bill Prince.† 6.33, Sports Desk. 7.02, Take Your Partners.† 7.30, Radio 1. 10.02, Games People Play. 10.30, Let's Go Latin. 11.02, Edmonton 78. 2.00-2.02 am, News.

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6.55 am, Weather. 7.00, News. 7.05, Mendelssohn, Bach, Beethoven.† 8.00, News. 8.05, Rossini, Schubert, Tchaikovsky, Liszt.† 9.00, News. 9.05, Boccherini.† 10.00, Children's Concert.† 11.05, Young Artists' song recital.† 12.05 pm, Concert from Middlesbrough, part 1: Haydn.†

1.00 pm, News. 1.05, Playbill.† 1.20, Concert, part 2: Tchaikovsky.† 2.15, Domenico Scarlatti.† 2.50, Fauré and Walton.† 3.45, George Malcolm (harpsichord): Haydn, Rameau, Scarlatti, Bach.† 4.45, The Young Idea.† 5.45, Homeward Bound. 6.05, News. 6.10, Homeward Bound. 6.30, Music in Principle. 7.00, Meditation. 7.30, Prom, part 1: Dvorak, Stravinsky.† 8.25, Play: The Lie, by John Antrobus.† 8.45, Prom, part 2: Stravinsky.† 9.05, Why do People Want Goods? 9.25, Prom, part 3: Debussy, Stravinsky.† 10.10, Jeremy Bentham's brave new England, talk by Pedro Schwartz. 10.45, The Bach Family.† 11.45, News. 11.50-11.55, Schubert Song.†

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6.00 am, News. 6.10, Farming. 6.30, Today. 8.35, Yesterday in Parliament. 9.00, News. 9.05, Local Time. 9.35, The Life and Times of the Piano. 10.00, News. 10.05, Let's Get this Settled. 10.30, Service. 10.45, Story. 11.00, News. 11.05, Portrait of a Love: Elizabeth Barrett and Robert Browning. 11.50, Table Talk: Somerset Maugham and James Stephens on dining out. 12.00, News. 12.02 pm, You and Yours. 12.27, My Music. 12.55, Weather.

1.00, News. 1.30, The Archers. 1.45, Woman's Hour. 2.45, Listen With Mother. 3.00, News. 3.05, Play: Miracle at Tubbernanog, by Frederick Mullally. 4.00, News. 4.05, A look at heart transplants. 4.35, Story: We Didn't Mean to Go to Sea. 5.00, PM Reports. 5.40, Inquire Within. 5.55, Weather. 6.00, News. 6.30, Going Places. 7.00, News. 7.05, The Archers. 7.20, Pick of the Week. 8.10, Profile. 8.30, Many Reasons Why. 9.15, Letter from America. 9.30, Lambeth Conference Report. 9.35, Kaleidoscope. 9.59, Weather. 10.00, News. 10.30, A Little Night Exposure (new series). 10.55, Nightcap: Address by Jim Andrew. 11.00, A Book at Bedtime: A House for Mr Biswas. 11.15, The Financial World Tonight. 12.00, News. 12.20-12.23 am, Inshore Forecast.

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Notice is hereby given that the Order of the High Court of Justice (Chancery Division) dated 17th July, 1978, confirming the REDUCTION of the CAPITAL of the above-named Company from £3,356,711 to £1,038,976.70 and the Minute approved by the Court showing with respect to the capital of the Company as altered and several particulars required by the above-mentioned Act were registered by the Registrar of Companies on 21st July, 1978.

Dated this 31st day of July, 1978.

HERBERT SMITH & CO., 62, London Wall, London EC2R 7JP, Solicitors for the above-named Company.

THE COMPANIES ACTS 1948 to 1976 NUMOFIELD (EXPORT SERVICES) Limited.

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to section 293 of the Companies Act 1948, that a MEETING of the CREDITORS of the above-named Company will be held at the offices of Leonard Curtis & Co., situated at 3/4 Bentinck Street, London W1A 3BA, on Tuesday, the 22nd day of August 1978, at 12 o'clock midday, for the purposes mentioned in sections 294 and 295 of the said Act.

Dated this 24th day of July, 1978.

By Order of the Board.
A. G. CAREY-BROOKER,
Director.

THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948 in the Matter of G. A. LOMBARDY Limited. Nature of Business: Builders.

WINDING-UP ORDER MADE 19th June, 1978

DATE and PLACE of FIRST MEETINGS:

CREDITORS: 17th August 1978, at Room G20 Atlantic House Holborn Viaduct London EC1N 2HD at 11.00 o'clock.

CONTRIBUTORIES: On the same day and at the same place at 11.30 o'clock.

N. SADDLER, Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.

THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948 in the Matter of BETABET Limited. Nature of Business: Turf Accountants

WINDING-UP ORDER MADE 26th June 1978.

DATE and PLACE of FIRST MEETINGS:

CREDITORS: 16th August 1978, at Room 239, Templar House, 81 High Holborn London WC1V 6LP, at 10.00 o'clock.

CONTRIBUTORIES: On the same day and at the same place at 10.30 o'clock.

L. R. BATES, Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.

THE COMPANIES ACTS 1948 to 1967 NUMOFIELD (PLANT HIRE) Limited.

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Dated this 24th day of July, 1978.

By Order of the Board.
A. G. CAREY-BROKER,
Director.

The COMPANIES ACT, 1948 In the Matter of LENTGROVE Limited Nature of Business: Club proprietors.

WINDING-UP ORDER MADE 10th July 1978.

DATE and PLACE of FIRST MEETINGS:

CREDITORS 16th August 1978, at Room 239 Templar House 81 High Holborn London WC1V 6LP at 11.00 o'clock.

CONTRIBUTORIES On the same day and at the same place at 11.30 o'clock.

L. R. BATES
Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.

THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948 In the Matter of CYVERA IMPEX (LONDON) Limited Nature of Business: General Merchants.

WINDING-UP ORDER MADE 10th July 1978.

DATE and PLACE of FIRST MEETINGS:

CREDITORS 17th August 1978, at Room 239, Templar House, 81 High Holborn London WC1V 6LP at 10.00 o'clock.

CONTRIBUTORIES On the same day and at the same place at 10.30 o'clock.

L. R. BATES,
Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.

THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948 in the matter of TOP HAT TRANSPORT Limited. Nature of Business: Haulage Contractors.

Winding-up Order made 19th June, 1978.

Date and PLACE of first MEETINGS:

Creditors 17th August, 1978, at Room G20 Atlantic House, Holborn Viaduct, London EC1N 2HD at 10.00 o'clock.

Contributories on the same day and at the same place at 10.30 o'clock.

N. SADDLER, Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.

THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948, in the matter of INGZIA Limited T/A MAYFAIR TRAVEL. Nature of Business: Travel Agents.

WINDING-UP ORDER MADE 26th June, 1978.

DATE and PLACE of first MEETINGS:

CREDITORS 16th August, 1978, at Room 239 Templar House, 81 High Holborn, London WC1V 6LP at 2.00 o'clock.

CONTRIBUTORIES. On the same day and at the same place at 2.30 o'clock.

L. R. BATES, Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.

THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948 In the Matter of EUROTONE Limited. Nature of Business: Foreign Language Tutors.

WINDING-UP ORDER MADE 26th June, 1978.

DATE and PLACE of FIRST MEETINGS:

CREDITORS: 18th August, 1978, at Room 239, Templar House, 81 High Holborn, London WC1V 6LP, at 10.00 o'clock.

CONTRIBUTORIES On the same day and at the same place at 10.30 o'clock.

L R BATES.
Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.

THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948. In the Matter of GUY GROVES Limited. Nature of Business: Butcher and Off Licence.

WINDING-UP ORDER MADE 12th June, 1978.

DATE and PLACE of FIRST MEETINGS:

CREDITORS: 18th August 1978, at Room 239, Templar House, 81 High Holborn, London WC1V 6LP, at 11 o'clock.

CONTRIBUTORIES: On the same day and at the same place at 11.30 o'clock

L. R BATES.
Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.

LEGAL NOTICES

In the HIGH COURT of JUSTICE Chancery Division Companies Court in the Matters of:—No. 002349 of 1978 BATEKIRK Limited, No. 003356 of 1978 HOLGATE DEVELOPMENTS Limited and in the Matter of the Companies Act, 1948.

Notice is hereby given that PETITIONS for the WINDING UP of the above named Companies by the High Court of Justice were on the 24th day of July 1978 presented to the said Court by The Commissioners of Inland Revenue, of Somerset House, Strand, London, WC2R 1LB, and that the said Petitions are directed to be heard before the Court sitting at the Royal Courts of Justice, Strand, London, on the 9th day of October 1978, and any creditor or contributory of any of the said Companies desirous to support or oppose the making of an Order on any of the said Petitions may appear at the time of hearing in person or by his Counsel, for that purpose, and a copy of the Petition will be furnished to any creditor or contributory of any of the said Companies requiring the same by the undersigned on payment of the regulated charge for the same.

ERIC MOSES, Solicitor of Inland Revenue, Somerset House, Strand, London WC2R 1LB.

NOTE: Any person who intends to appear on the hearing of any of the said Petitions must serve on or send by post to the above-named notice in writing of his intention so to do. The notice must state the name and address of the person, or, if a firm, the name and address of the firm, and must be signed by the person or firm, or his or their Solicitor (if any) and must be served, or, if posted must be sent by post in sufficient time to reach the above-named not later than four o'clock in the afternoon of the 6th day of October, 1978.

THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948 in the Matter of HUNTERSBURGH Limited. Nature of Business: To carry on business of wholesalers, retailers and general merchants and dealers in furs and skins and leathers.

WINDING-UP ORDER MADE 19th June 1978.

DATE and PLACE of FIRST MEETINGS:

CREDITORS: 16th August 1978, at Room G20, Atlantic House, Holborn Viaduct, London EC1N 2HD at 10.00 o'clock.

CONTRIBUTORIES: On the same day and at the same place at 10.30 o'clock.

H. W. J. CHRISTMAS.
Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.

THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948 In the Matter of T/A NICHOLAS HI-FI NICK EZIEPULA NICHOLAS PHOTOGRAPHIC Limited. Nature of Business: Hi-fi and photographic retailer.

WINDING-UP ORDER made 26th June 1978.

DATE and PLACE of FIRST MEETINGS:

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CONTRIBUTORIES: On the same day and at the same place at 11.30 o'clock.

H. W. J. CHRISTMAS. Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.

THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948 In the Matter of CROYLAND PLUMBING Limited. Nature of Business: Retailers of Plumbing and Heating Equipment.

WINDING-UP ORDER made 10th July 1978.

DATE and PLACE of FIRST MEETINGS:

CREDITORS: 17th August 1978, at Room G20, Atlantic House, Holborn Viaduct, London EC1N 2HD, at 10.00 o'clock.

CONTRIBUTORIES: On the same day and at the same place at 10.30 o'clock.

N. SADDLER, Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.

THE COMPANIES ACTS 1948 to 1976 NUMOFIELD (PLANT) Limited

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to section 293 of the Companies Act 1948, that a MEETING of the CREDITORS of the above-named Company will be held at the offices of Leonard Curtis & Co., 3/4 Bentinck Street, London W1A 3BA, on Monday, the 21st day of August 1978, at 12 o'clock midday, for the purposes mentioned in sections 294 and 295 of the said Act.

Dated this 24th day of July, 1978.

By Order of the Board.
A. G. CAREY-BROOKER,
Director.

THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948 In the Matter of TARA FURNITURE Limited. Nature of Business: Furniture manufacturers and repairers.

WINDING-UP ORDER MADE 26th June 1978.

DATE and PLACE of FIRST MEETINGS:

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CONTRIBUTORIES: On the same day and at the same place at 11.30 o'clock.

N. SADDLER, Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.

THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948 In the Matte of RONSOL INSURANCE BROKERS Limited. Nature of Business: Insurance Brokers.

WINDING-UP ORDER MADE 26th June 1978.

DATE and PLACE of FIRST MEETINGS:

CREDITORS: 17th August 1978, at Room G20 Atlantic House Holborn Viaduct London EC1N 2RD at 10.00 o'clock.

CONTRIBUTORIES: On the same day and at th same place at 10.30 o'clock

H. W. J. CHRISTMAS.
Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.

THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948 In the Matter of J. E. JOYCE Limited Nature of Business: Builders and Building Contractors.

WINDING-UP ORDER MADE 17th July 1978.

DATE and PLACE of FIRST MEETINGS:

CREDITORS 18th August 1978, at Room G20 Atlantic House Holborn Viaduct London EC1N 2HD at 10.00 o'clock.

CONTRIBUTORIES on the same day and at the same place at 10.30 o'clock.

N. SADDLER
Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.

The COMPANIES ACT, 1948 In the Matter of FAIRFIELD PROPERTIES COMPANY (LONDON) Limited Nature of Business: Property Developers

WINDING-UP ORDER MADE 12th June 1978

DATE and PLACE of FIRST MEETINGS:

CREDITORS 16th August 1978, at Room G20 Atlantic House, Holborn Viaduct London EC1N 2HD at 11.00 o'clock

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The COMPANIES ACT, 1948 In the Matter of A. T. HASLI Limited Nature of Business: Property Dealing and Construction

WINDING-UP ORDER MADE 26 June 1978

DATE and PLACE of FIRST MEETINGS:

CREDITORS 17th August 1978, at Room 239 Templar House, 81 High Holborn, London WC1V 6LP at 2.00 o'clock

CONTRIBUTORIES On the same day and at the same place at 2.30 o'clock.

L. R. BATES
Official Receive rand Provisional Liquidator

The COMPANIES ACT, 1948 In the Matter of LANCAIR EXPORT SERVICES Limited. Nature of Business: Shipping Agents

WINDING-UP ORDER MADE 10th July 1978

DATE and PLACE of FIRST MEETINGS:

CREDITORS 15th August 1978, at Room 239 Templar House, High Holborn, London WC1V 6LP at 2.00 o'clock.

CONTRIBUTORIES On the same day and at the same place at 2.30 o'clock.

L. R. BATES
Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator

THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948. In the matter of IRAN CASPIAN Limited. Nature of Business: Export Agents.

WINDING-UP ORDER MADE 3rd July, 1978.

DATE and PLACE of FIRST MEETINGS

CREDITORS: 16th August, 1978 at Room G20 Atlantic House Holborn Viaduct London EC1N 2HD at 11.00 o'clock.

CONTRIBUTORIES on the same day and at the same place at 11.30 o'clock.

H. W. J. CHRISTMAS, Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.

THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948 In the Matter of NEFSHIRE Limited. Nature to Business: Plant dealer.

WINDING-UP ORDER MADE 26th June, 1978.

DATE and PLACE of FIRST MEETINGS:

CREDITORS: 17 August 1978, at Room 239 Templar House, 81 High Holborn, London WC1V 6LP, at 11 o'clock.

CONTRIBUTORIES: On the same day and at the same place at 11.30 o'clock.

L. R. BATES.
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THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948 In the Matter of BYMALET BUILDERS Limited. Nature of Business: Builders

WINDING-UP ORDER made 10th July 1978.

DATE and PLACE of FIRST MEETINGS:

CREDITORS: On 16th August 1978, at Room 239, Templar House, 81 High Holborn, London WC1V 6LP, at 2.00 o'clock.

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L. R. BATES. Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.

LEGAL NOTICES

No. 001637 of 1978 In the HIGH COURT of JUSTICE Chancery Division In the Matter of LONGBOURNE HOLDINGS Limited and In the Matter of the Companies Act 1948.

Notice is hereby given that the Order of the High Court of Justice (Chancery Division) dated 17th July, 1978, confirming the REDUCTION of the CAPITAL of the above-named Company from £1,700,000 to £674,504.40 and the Minute approved by the Court showing with respect to the capital of the Company as altered the several particulars required by the above-mentioned Act were registered by the Registrar of Companies on 21st July, 1978.

Dated this 31st day of July, 1978.

TRAVERS SMITH BRAITHWAITE & CO., 6 Snow Hill, London EC1A 2AL. Solicitors for the above-named Company.

In the Matter of the Companies Acts, 1948 to 1976 and In the Matter of HIWAYS (COVENTRY) Limited (In Voluntary Liquidation).

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 299 of the Companies Act, 1948, that a GENERAL MEETING of the MEMBERS of the above-named Company will be held at the Offices of W. H. Cork, Gully & Co., Chartered Accountants of Guildhall House, 81/87, Gresham Street, London EC2V 7DS, on Thursday, the 24th day of August, 1978, at 11.45 a.m., to be followed at 12 noon by a GENERAL MEETING of the CREDITORS for the purpose of receiving an account of the Liquidator's Acts and Dealings and of the conduct of the Winding-up to date.

Dated this 27th day of July, 1978.

M. A. JORDAN,
Liquidator.

DAHROUG & COMPANY LIMITED

Notice is hereby given that the CREDITORS of the above named Company are required on or before Tuesday, 22nd August 1978 to send their names and addresses and particulars of their debts or claims to the undersigned RICHARD JAMES COOPER, F.C.A., A.T.I.I., the LIQUIDATOR of the said Company and if so required are to come in and prove their said debts or claims at such time or place as shall be specified in such notice or in default thereof they will be excluded from the benefit of any distribution made before such debts are proved.

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ALIFONSO.—On 25th July in Brittany to Frances (née Price) and Patrick—a son (Greg).

CADDY.—On July 4th, in Greenwich, to Val and David—a daughter.

HULME.—*On 26 July to Dana (née Rendall) and Jeremy*—a daughter (Lucy Jane), a sister for Thomas.

INGRAM.—On August 1st to [illegible] (née [illegible]) and Michael—a daughter (Rachel [illegible]).

JAMES.—On August 2nd at St. Teresa's, Wimbledon, to Ann-Mary and David—a son (Thomas).

LEWIS.—On Saturday, July 29th, at Perivale Maternity Hospital, London, to Madeleine (née Gallagher) and Paul—a son (David Alexander).

LLOYD.—On July 31st at John Radcliffe Hospital, Oxford, to Suzanne (nee King) and Richard—a daughter (Emily Kathryn), a sister for Benjamin.

MONTGOMERY.—On August 2nd, at Yeovil maternity unit, to Liz (nee Searle) and Mike—a daughter (Catherine Mary).

PURCHAS.—On August 2nd, at Shrodells Wing, Watford General Hospital, to Bronwen (nee Vaughan) and Christopher—a daughter.

BIRTHS

SKLAR.—On the 1st Aug., at the Royal Free Hospital, Hampstead, to Jon and Rina (nee Herbert-Gerrard)—a daughter (Gina Judith).

TOWNROW.—On August 2nd, 1978, in Cambridge, to Anne (nee Rowley) and Richard—a daughter (Sarah Elizabeth), a sister for Katharine.

TURNBULL.—On Aug. 2nd, at St. Peter's, Chertsey (now home), to Gill (nee Nicholas) and Simon—a daughter.

VERDON-SMITH.—On 2nd August, in Oxford to Di and Will—a daughter, sister for Jessa.

BIRTHDAY

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MORGAN : ABACIEV.—On 4th August, 1938, at the Russian Orthodox Church in Belgrade, William Sterling Morgan to Tamara Abaciev.

DEATHS

DAFFORN.—On August 3rd at her brother's home, Hollycroft, Stubbings, Maidenhead, Diana Mary, *dear and devoted* daughter of Alfrida and the late Edgar Dafforn, sister to Pat Ba Harg and the late Bob. Funeral service at 11 a.m., Wednesday, 9th August, at St. Mary's Church, White Waltham, Berkshire. Family flowers and donations if desired to Imperial Cancer Research Campaign, National Westminster Bank, 152 High St., Slough.

DAVENPORT.—On August 2nd, 1978, peacefully, at "Homelands", Cowfold, Sussex, Thomas, beloved husband of May *and dear* father of Rodney and Alan. Cremation private.

DE ROBLEDO.—In Bogota on July 31st, Bridgett, daughter of 7th Earl Poulett and wife of H.E. the Columbian Ambassador to the E.E.C. Luis Robledo.

DEVAUX.—On 2nd August 1978, *peacefully at Sully sur Loire*, Irmgard Devaux, widow of Ernest Devaux, and beloved mother and grandmother of Alexandra and Alexis Drossos. Funeral at 45370, Ouzouer sur Loire, France, on Friday, 4th August.

HOBBS.—On July 31st, 1978, Carleton, a beloved husband of Patty and dearly loved father and grandfather of Dennis and Chloe. His special wish was for a very quiet service (immediate family only) which has already taken place. No letters, please.

KNAPP, ANGELINE.—On August 2nd, at St. Mary Abbots Hospital, aged 89, widow of Colonel Vivian Greatrex Knapp, greatly loved and sadly missed by her family. Cremation, Putney Vale, 11.30 a.m., Monday, 7th August.

MAXSE.—On August 2nd, Major John Herbert Maxse, Coldstream Guards (Retd.), aged 76, funeral at St. Mary's, Fittleworth, Pulborough, Sussex, Monday, August 7th at 3.30 p.m., no flowers, but donations if desired to Petworth Cottage Convalescence and Nursing Home, Petworth, West Sussex.

MIRRLEES.—On August 1st, 1978, *in her 92nd year, peacefully in* a nursing home, Helen Hope Mirrlees of The Firs, Headington Hill, Oxford. Funeral service at Oxford Crematorium on Tuesday, August 8th at 2.30 p.m.

MONTGOMERY WALKER.—On 31st July, Muriel, beloved mother of Joan, suddenly at home. Cremation private. No flowers or letters please.

SITWELL.—On August 1st, 1978, in hospital, Jessica Margaret, of Firs Cottage, East Stoke, Dorset, widow of Isla Sitwell and mother of Nigel. Funeral service: Weymouth Crematorium, Tuesday, Aug. 8th, at 2.30 p.m.

SOUTHBY.—On 3rd August after a short illness, Peggy, dearly loved and loving wife of Sir Richard Southby.

TALLENTS.—On Thursday, August 3rd, peacefully, after a long illness, Hugh, D.S.O., late colonel S.R.Y., aged 95 years, dear husband of Nancy and father of John. Private funeral. Memorial service to be arranged in September.

TAYLOR.—On 29 July in Cheltenham, Muriel (nee Gordon-Smith), *widow of Malcolm (killed 13 June in Trinidad)* and mother of Jenny Sandars.

THOYTS.—On August 2nd suddenly at 18 Back Street, St. Cross, Winchester, Helena Gladys, aged 85. Funeral at Chapel of St. Cross on Wednesday, August 9th, *at 2 p.m., followed by cremation.* Family flowers only, please, to John Steel & Son Ltd., Chesil House, Winchester.

TYSER.—On August 3rd, Jessie, widow of Walter Tyser, of Gordon Bush, Brora, aged 85, peacefully in hospital in Inverness. Funeral private, memorial services in Brora and London later.

WALLICH-CLIFFORD.—On July 31st, Anton, aged 65, founder of the Simon Community. Mass at 1.30 p.m. on Friday, 4th August, St. Dominic's Priory, Southampton Rd., N.W.5. Followed by cremation at Golders Green Crematorium. Enquiries to 485 6639, 129, Malden Rd., N.W.5.

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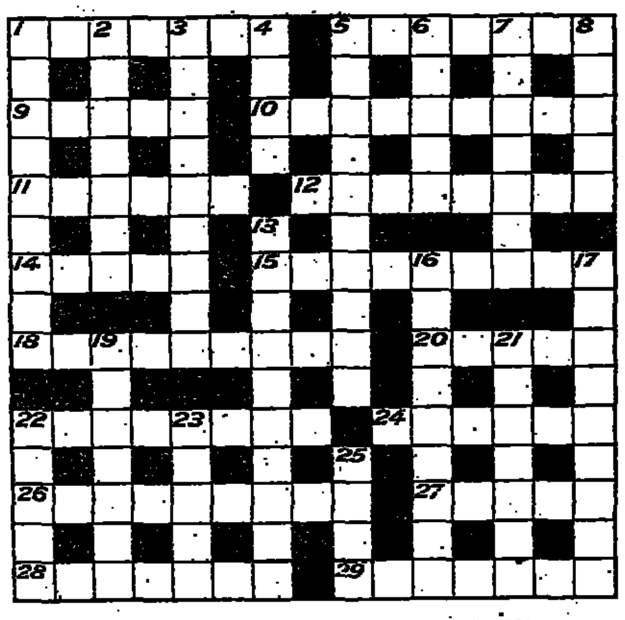

ACROSS
1 Prophet, a man honoured in an African country (7).
5 Swansea neighbour is no *plain speaker* (7).
9 To South Africa this custom's boloney (5).
10 Naval punishment inter alia a back number in Spain (9).
11 Girl bad in France a place on the Riviera (6).
12 Cuirass of carbon or steel construction (8).
14 Revolutionary article on defence project (5).
15 Deceives admiral with optical signals (9).
18 Fragrant mixture of grass for French king-emperor (3-6).
20 Climber's sort of point d'appui (5).
22 Her speech abnormal—a proper part to play (8).
24 Old character one found in a foreign state (6).
26 Smaller groups ordered into a green bus (9).
27 Oblique, like a Thames bridge (5).
28 Hot stuff in the outskirts of Kensington, we hear (7).
29 Jersey's Village Blacksmith for instance (7).

DOWN
1 Hamlet called his thing a long-runner (9).
2 Courtly friend is . . . (7).
3 . . . far from dim (in terms of 22 dn) (9).
4 Where we enjoy service, but short measure (4).
5 Capital film! (10).
6 A long way to French Polynesia? (5).
7 Wool-produce loan arranged, raising nothing (7).
8 A cane makes us dapper (5).
13 Ron's involved in dairy produce in the Thracian peninsula (10).
16 Point a writer has to accept to make a hundred (9).
17 No night-light in bed (9).
19 Youth qualified as overseer in a furniture shop? (7).
21 Uncle Arly sat "Close beside a leafy —— " (7).
22 Entertainment barred? (5).
23 An ape's wild song of triumph (5).
25 No bid—having no honours? (4).

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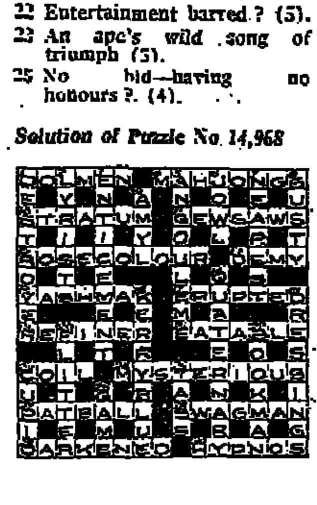

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